

How to Write a Eulogy using Copilot

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Q: How do I write a eulogy using AI?

Writing a eulogy with AI isn't about letting the AI "take over." It's about using it as a **thought partner**—a way to organize memories, clarify themes, and shape a message that still feels unmistakably human. You stay the storyteller; AI helps you think, structure, and polish.

Here's a clear, practical way to do it.

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Below is a structured approach that blends your memories with AI's ability to organize, refine, and shape language.

1. Gather the raw material

AI works best when you give it **specifics**. Before you ask it to write anything, jot down:

- Key traits or values of the person
- Important life milestones
- Stories that capture who they were
- How they made people feel
- A message you want listeners to take away

If you're unsure where to start, you can even ask AI to help you brainstorm categories or prompts.

2. Feed AI your notes and ask for structure

Once you have your raw material, you can ask AI to:

- Create an outline
- Suggest themes
- Identify the strongest stories
- Propose a tone (warm, humorous, reverent, simple, etc.)

A good prompt might be:

Here are my notes about the person. Can you create a 3–5 minute eulogy outline that highlights warmth, humor, and gratitude?

This keeps you in control while letting AI shape the flow.

3. Have AI draft a version

After the outline feels right, ask AI to draft a full eulogy.

You can specify:

- Tone (gentle, uplifting, straightforward, spiritual, etc.)
- Length
- Whether to include quotes or not
- Whether to keep it simple or more poetic

Example prompt:

Using this outline and these stories, write a 600-word eulogy in a warm, conversational tone. Avoid clichés and keep the language simple.

AI will produce a draft you can refine.

4. Personalize and revise

This is the most important step. A eulogy becomes meaningful when **your voice** comes through.

Use AI to help you:

- Shorten or tighten the language
- Adjust the emotional tone
- Add transitions
- Rephrase sentences that don't sound like you
- Make the ending stronger

You can ask:

This paragraph feels too formal. Can you rewrite it so it sounds more like spoken language?

or

Help me make the closing more hopeful without being overly sentimental.

5. Practice reading it aloud

AI can help you adjust the rhythm and pacing once you've read it out loud. Spoken language needs:

- Shorter sentences
- Clear transitions
- Natural pauses

You can say:

I'm going to read this aloud. Help me break it into natural speaking sections.

What AI *can* do well

- Organize scattered thoughts
- Suggest structure and themes
- Polish language
- Offer multiple tone options
- Help you refine until it feels right

What AI *cannot* replace

- Your memories
- Your relationship with the person
- The emotional truth only you can bring

AI is the assistant; you are the heart.

If you'd like, you can share a few details about the person—stories, traits, or even rough notes—and I can help you shape them into a thoughtful, grounded eulogy draft.