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- Doris Jagiello’s body found buried beneath mud and rocks in San Bernardino after storm
- California Family 'Overjoyed' to be Reunited With Dog Lost in Mudslide
- Missing woman found dead after California mudslides
A missing woman in San Bernardino County was found dead Thursday after emergency services located her body buried in dirt and mud.

San Bernardino County Fire Department’s Urban Search and Rescue Team members found Doris Jagiello, a 62-year-old Forest Falls resident, who was first reported missing Monday when a heavy rainstorm entered the area, the San Bernardino Sheriff’s Department said.

Her body was reportedly found in the Forest Falls area, buried under several feet of mud and rocks, washed down by the storm.

“The powerful storm resulted in debris flows rushing down the natural drainages and creek beds in Forest Falls,” the sheriff’s department said. “As a large debris flow consisting of mud and extremely large boulders raced downhill, it overran Jagiello’s property and impacted her home causing significant structural damage and carrying away everything in its path.”

“While this was not the desired outcome, the Sheriff’s Department hopes finding Jagiello will bring some measure of closure to Jagiello’s family and aid in their healing process,” the department added.

The San Bernardino County Fire Department, assisting agencies, and the Forest Falls community assisted in the recovery effort.

During the rescue, San Bernardino County Fire Protection District personnel also safely located a family dog they were able to reconnect with her owners.

“There is light at the end of the tunnel,” officials said. “After 48 hours of intense search operations by USAR teams and SBCoFPD personnel, Chloe the dog was found alive. Rescuers found her in a void space
surrounded by dense mud and debris. Chloe was reunited with her family, who were overjoyed to see her. Chloe even thanked her rescuers.”

California Family 'Overjoyed' to be Reunited With Dog Lost in Mudslide; Chloe was missing for two days before being found by firefighters surrounded by mud and debris

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Chloe was missing for two days before being found by firefighters surrounded by mud and debris

Mudslides in California have caused devastation in the region, but there was a light at the end of the tunnel for one family, search and rescue authorities say.

Chloe the dog, who had been separated from her family for two days after the mudslides, was reunited with her owners, the San Bernardino County Fire Department personnel shared in a post.

"After 48 hours of intense search operations by USAR teams and SBCoFPD personnel, Chloe the dog was found alive," the caption shared of the joint effort by Urban Search and Rescue teams along with San Bernardino County Fire Department.

The video shows the ecstatic small black dog licking the faces of its owners while wagging her tail uncontrollably. Her family are all grinning with delight at being reunited while saying, "Chloe!" repeatedly.

"Rescuers found her in a void space surrounded by dense mud and debris. Chloe was reunited with her family, who were overjoyed to see her. Chloe even thanked her rescuers. 🦮" the Fire Department's caption went on.

Chloe even thanked her rescuers, giving the firefighters special attention and excitement.

"This is a very sweet dog and I'm very glad that we were able to help you guys out," one fire official can be heard saying in the video.

Mudslides and debris flow affected parts of Southern California after a tropical storm led to heavy rain and strong winds over last weekend.
According to the Associated Press, rains caused by Tropical Storm Kay led to massive mudslides on Sept. 12, which washed away cars and damaged homes and buildings in San Bernardino County. One building, the outlet reported, was buried so high with mud that its roof caved in.

A video posted to Twitter from resident Roger Seheult showed a large amount of mud covering the roads and parking lot outside of Oak Glen Steakhouse Saloon.

The restaurant started a GoFundMe campaign to help employees affected by the mudslides, which has raised nearly $10,000 as of Wednesday afternoon.

"Thankfully nobody was hurt," the organizer wrote, before noting that the mudslides "obliterated 70% of our steakhouse/dining room and kitchen" and also destroyed their equipment. "It's all ruined," they wrote.

Per the AP, search teams looked through the streets for people in need of help after the mudslides.

"We have boulders that moved through that weigh multiple tons," Eric Sherwin of the San Bernardino County Fire Department told the news agency. "It could take days just to find all the cars that are missing because they are completely covered by mud."

Crews did not find anyone in need of rescue and no one was reported missing, reported USA Today.

Los Angeles firefighters were called to help several drivers stuck in mud and debris the same weekend.

According to the National Weather Service office in Los Angeles, 24 vehicles and 53 people were "accounted for" after mudslides hit the Lake Hughes area Sept. 10. The L.A. County Fire Department shared video showing a large amount of mud on the road.

"That mud came up really fast up around the headlights, and so they all kind of needed help out of their vehicles," an L.A. County Fire Department official told the Los Angeles Times.

A woman who was reported missing after destructive mudslides in Southern California has been found dead, authorities said Friday.

A significant rainstorm on Monday led to torrential mud and debris flows in the mountain communities of Forest Falls and Oak Glen in San Bernardino County.

One person -- a Forest Falls resident -- remained unaccounted for after the mudslides. On Thursday, after "several days of methodical searching," a San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department's urban search and rescue team found the body of the missing woman, the sheriff's department said in a statement.

The woman, identified as 62-year-old Doris Jagiello, was found buried under "several feet of mud, rocks and debris," the sheriff's department said.

"While this was not the desired outcome, the Sheriff's Department hopes finding Jagiello will bring some measure of closure to Jagiello's family and aid in their healing process," the department said.

The powerful storm prompted evacuations and led to debris flows down the natural drainages and creek beds in Forest Falls that damaged homes and blocked roads.

Jagiello's home was destroyed in the storm, authorities said.

"As a large debris flow consisting of mud and extremely large boulders raced downhill, it overran Jagiello's property and impacted her home causing significant structural damage and carrying away everything in its path," the sheriff's department said.

The rains were remnants of a tropical storm that brought heavy rains and strong winds to Southern California. A flood watch has been issued last weekend for parts of California, just outside of Los Angeles and San Diego.
Six homes in Forest Falls and two in Oak Glen were destroyed in the debris flow, according to the San Bernardino County Fire Department. Another nine were damaged and several other structures were destroyed or damaged.

The County of San Bernardino said it is seeking federal and state assistance for those impacted by the disaster.

A dog in Forest Falls that went missing in the storm was found alive after "48 hours of intense search operations" and has been reunited with its family, fire officials said Friday.

"Rescuers found her in a void space surrounded by dense mud and debris," the San Bernardino County Fire Department said. "Chloe was reunited with her family, who were overjoyed to see her."

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