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Answer

**In the name of Allah, Most Gracious, Most Merciful**

**Assalaamu `alaykum waRahmatullahi Wabarakatoh**

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Abu Hurairah (Radiyahallahu Anhu) reports that Rasulullah (Sallallaahu Alaihi Wa Sallam) said,  
?None of you should wish for death and neither should one make dua for it before its time.  
Verily when one of you dies, (the ability to add to) his deeds is finished. The life of a believer  
only increases him in good.? (Muslim)

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Anas bin Malik (Radiyahallahu Anhu) reports that Rasulullah (Sallallaahu Alaihi Wa Sallam) said,  
?None of you should ever wish for death due to any hardship he may face. If he has to do it, he  
may say, ?Oh Allah keep me alive as long as life is good for me and take me up in death when  
death is better for me.?? (Bukhari)

From the above it is understood that one must place his trust on Allah alone and that one must  
not wish for death even if he may be facing severe hardship [\[i\]](#) . If one cannot make dua for his  
own death, how can he make dua for someone else?s death?

He should make the same dua but in words of the third person. Better yest, if death is certain,  
the onlooker should make dua that the person passes away with Imaan.

The ahaadith above also make it clear that for a believer life is a bounty. The reason for it being  
a bounty is that it offers the opportunity for a Muslim to increase his good deeds, to elevate his  
status in the life hereafter and to repent for his bad deeds. Agony of death is also a means of  
wiping out sins and elevating the rank in the hereafter. Rasulullah (Sallallaahu Alaihi Wa

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*?A believer is not afflicted with tiredness, pain, grief, anxiety, worry or any harm, even being pricked by a thorn, except that Allah removes his sins because of it? (Bukhari)*

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*?Whatever harm afflicts a believer such as being pricked with a thorn or anything more, is a means of Allah elevating his rank and wiping out his sin.?? (Muslim)*

**Wassalam**

**Darul Iftaa, Madrassah In'aamiyyah**

[i] The jurists have stated that it is, however, permissible for one to wish for death due to prevalence of corruption and evil in society, fear of ones faith and fear of falling in sins based upon the following hadith:

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*?When your leaders are the best among you, your affluent ones are generous, and your matters are decided through mutual consultation among yourselves then the surface of the earth is better for you than its interior (i.e. life is better than death). But when your leaders are the worst of you, your affluent ones are stingy and your women are made in charge of your affairs, then the interior of the earth is better than its surface (i.e. death is better than life).? (Tirmizi)*

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