

To: GG

Dear GG, I hope heaven found you well.
Before you passed you were the best GG ever
and also thank you for all the love and support you gave me.
Thank you for all the memories we spent together and I will cherish them.
I hope you're happy in heaven.

Love: Major

Acknowledgement

The Our family wishes to extend our profound and sincere gratitude for the outpouring of love, support, and prayers during this difficult time. Through our cherished memories, ***Beverly*** *will live on in our hearts forever. May we continue to celebrate her life by living freely and with gratitude every single day that we have the ability to take a breath.*

Final Arrangements Entrusted to:

BENTA'S
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Celebrating The Life of



Beverly L. Fong

Sunrise: June 26, 1945 - Sunset: November 10, 2026

FUNERAL SERVICE
Thursday, November 19, 2026 - 12:00 p.m.

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Bishop Lawrence Edgerton, *Officiant*
Reverend Dr. Eric B. Turner, *Minister of Music*

Dissolution

Woodlawn Cemetery
Bronx, New York

Order of Service

Organ Prelude

Invocation
Bishop Lawrence Edgerton

Musical Selection
"The Lord's Prayer"

Scipture Readings
Old Testament - Psalm 139 - Beverly Pabon
New Testament - Timothy 4: 7-8 - Kathleen Higgins

Prayer of Comfort
LuLin Garofalo

Musical Selection
"Amazing Grace"

Reflections
Family & Friends
(Two Minute Please)

Obituary Reading
John Fong

Musical Selection
"His Eye Is On The Sparrow"

Eulogy
Shayna Gaskins

Committal & Benediction
Bishop Lawrence Edgerton

Final Viewing
Funeral Director

Recessional

Obituary

BEVERLY FONG, *81, a long-term resident of Harlem, New York, quietly passed away on Tuesday, November 10th at Memorial Sloan Kettering Hospital after a well fought battle with cancer.*

Since 1996, with a tough and brave chin, strong heart, and remarkable joy of life, Beverly successfully won her previous cancer battles with a defiance that often made God shake His head. She absolutely fooled us all into believing that this ugly disease would yet again be slayed as it had been in the past. However, a weakened body entered the arena of life without the weapons required for another triumphant win.

Beverly Lorraine Hammons was born on June 26, 1945 to Betty Vann and Roland Hammons in the quiet city of Lackawanna, New York. In 1952, at the age of seven, her mom, often referred to as "Pretty" Betty, moved them to 224 West 138th Street (Strivers Row), where she resided until 1964. She began her high school education at Saint Joseph's boarding school in Monticello, New York and completed her senior year at George Washington High School in upper Manhattan in June 1964.

In August 1964, she and John Fong married and because of his military status and commitment, they lived in many towns and cities across America, including overseas in Germany. John was deployed to Vietnam where he served two tours of duty and when he returned home, they resided in Laurelton, Queens, New York. During their marriage they were blessed with three children: LuLin (Fong) Garofalo, John Fong II, and Vanessa Fong.

The blessings continued with the birth of her eight grandchildren: William J., Jordan, and Shayna Gaskins, Mei Ling, Sanjit, Sunil, Suraj, and Khoy Fong. However, the blessings didn't stop there—she equally loved her seven great-grandchildren: Major and A'Mei Stevenson; Saján and Santina Fong; Jordan and RaeLin Gaskins; and Ode'See Wallace.

Beverly's work career varied through the years, however her most rewarding work was her 30+ year career at Elmhurst Hospital in Queens, NY. She held many titles that ultimately culminated to the Associate Director of Administration. Even after retirement, she worked alongside Pat Freedman to attend to the needs of clients in the Infectious Disease Clinic.

Beverly is also survived by her 13+ year partner, Young DuBose, son-in-law, James Garofalo, daughter-in-law, Dalia Fong; a host of adopted sons, daughters and grandchildren including, but certainly not limited to: Kenny Gaskins, Juan and Zita Lopez, and Suki Hughes, close family members including Michael Wilson and her namesake, Beverly Pabon; special life-long friends, Geneva Trotman, Pat Freedman, and Nancy Brown.