



## Niambi Binta George

September 27, 1979 - March 24, 2026

Niambi Binta George, beloved daughter of Joan P. George and the late Emil C. George, passed away on

March 24, 2026, at the age of 46.

From 1983 to 1990, she attended St. Margaret's Nursery School in Georgetown, Guyana, along with

Goodwill Primary School and the Convent Prep School in Roseau, Commonwealth of Dominica, before

being diagnosed with cancer at the age of 10. During her treatment, Niambi continued her education at Ft.

Lincoln Elementary School and later at The Lab School of Washington. She went on to graduate from

Roosevelt High School in June 1997, where she received the Congressional Special Recognition Award

from Congresswoman Eleanor H. Norton of the District of Columbia.

Niambi was an artist at heart, with a deep appreciation for many genres of music. Among her favorite

artists were Bob Marley, UB40, and Prince, though she held a special love for Michael Jackson—even if she never quite mastered the moonwalk.

Her creativity extended beyond music into the culinary arts. In 2001, she enrolled in the Metropolitan

Culinary Arts Institute in Arlington, Virginia, where she pursued her passion for

cooking. Although she was forced to leave due to health challenges related to her cancer and treatments, her artistic spirit remained alive and undiminished. She soon found another outlet in working with clay and channeled her creativity into crafting handmade pots. Through this medium, Niambi expressed both her resilience and her love for creating beauty, though she was eventually compelled to step away from pottery as her illness worsened.

Niambi's life was marked by numerous challenges which she faced with courage. At the age of 10, she was diagnosed with medulloblastoma and underwent brain surgery, as well as chemotherapy and radiation treatments. In 2002, she began experiencing seizures, adding to the difficulties she faced.

Despite these obstacles, Niambi remained remarkably brave and determined. She graduated from high school and went on to attend one year of college. Over time, she became wheelchair-bound, yet continued to persevere with strength and grace. In 2019, she faced another diagnosis of breast cancer and met it with the same resilience that defined her life. Last year, she was diagnosed with metastatic breast cancer that had spread to her bones, a challenge she faced with unwavering grace before passing away peacefully.

Niambi was the sister of Bediako George, Soyini George (deceased), and Dr. Damali Martin; half-sister of Patsy George and Carlton George, Sister-in-law of Dr. MaryEllen McGuire, Julien Martin and Yumiko George. She is survived by her great aunt Mrs. Dorothy Norton of

Georgetown, Guyana. She was the niece of Roy Martin (deceased) and Norma Martin, Alan Stancil (deceased) and Joy Stancil, Dr. Neville and Bridget Martin, Dr. Keith and Camille Martin and Conrad and Laurel Martin. She is loved by her nieces, nephews, cousins and numerous other relatives and friends.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the American Cancer Society and American Association for Cancer Research.

# Previous Events

## Service

APR **10**. 10:30 AM (ET)

Seekers Church  
276 Carroll Street, NW,  
Washington, DC 20012

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# Tribute Wall

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“*Niambi was my pottery student for a few years. She was determined and undeterred by any physical limitations in using the potters wheel. I found her to be interested in a wide range of topics and she always had something to share that she had learned on an educational tv show. She pushed herself to reach her potential and she was a major example of courage and dignity. She loved her family and "bragged" on them often. She was more than my student and I will think of her often. Fly sweetly dear one.*

Juliette B Madison - April 12 at 05:37 PM

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“*My I did not have the privilege of knowing Niambi but wish I had. I have, however, known her mother Joan for many years as a colleague at Fletcher, Heald, and Hildreth and have heard much about her wonderful and accomplished daughter from her. Joan has been a source of great strength throughout and I have watched her navigate the challenges associated with Niambi's illness and always admired her resilience and determination. So sorry to miss the funeral but know it will be beautiful and uplifting. With deepest sympathy, Harry Martin*

Harry Martin - April 08 at 01:15 PM



“*Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Niambi Binta George.*



April 07 at 10:44 AM