



## Dennis Mitchell Fong

September 28, 1948 - April 3, 2021

Dennis Fong, 72, passed peacefully away at his Castro Valley, California home on April 3, 2021. He is survived by his wife, Murva (Black); son, Aaron Fong, (Dawn); stepchildren, Wendy Eby and Wesley Eby (Serena); grandchildren Wolfgang Fong, Caitlin Eby, Alison Kennedy, Rebecca Kennedy, Austin Eby, Taylor Eby, Savannah Eby, Eva Eby; sister Janice Martin; niece, Courtney Martin (Yakeen Qawasmeh) and grandnephews Keeno and Theo Qawasmeh.

Dennis was preceded in death by parents Al and Alyce (Wong) Fong. A native Californian, Dennis grew up in Oakland Chinatown and graduated from Fremont High School. A proud veteran Dennis served five years in the U.S. Army. He retired from the railroad industry after a successful 40 year career.

Dennis enjoyed spending time outdoors fishing, running, hiking and camping. His favorite times were large family gatherings where food was abundant and the air buzzed with laughter and conversation. He cared deeply for family including uncles, aunties and numerous cousins.

Dennis was kind, gregarious, warm and generous. His children and grandchildren refer to his words of wisdom as “Dennis-isms.”

Love is our greatest gift. Dennis loved and was loved in abundance. His laugh, smile and sparkling eyes are forever imprinted on the hearts of those who loved him.

A private service was held at the Chapel of the Chimes in Oakland on April 18 .

# Comments

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“ I remember Dennis as a fun, generous and loving man. When Dennis and Murva invited me for dinner, I had to fast in advance for days, because you can't say no to Dennis, not with food. When I visited Murva and Dennis, Dennis was genuinely interested and making sure that I was comfortable, and that I didn't need or lack anything. What a gracious host. He was genuinely interested in and always asked me about my family. Always. Hospitality is one of the most important commands in Judaism. Gennesis Ch.18, V.1-8. And in Christianity, Hospitality is a sacred duty. The Gospel Compels Hospitality – · “ Be hospitable to one another without complaining” (1 Peter 4:9). I miss Dennis. I know that my best friend, Murva, is missing him. He will always be with us.  
Henny

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