



## Dr. Zafar H. Fatimi

June 1, 1945 - December 18, 2018

It is with profound sadness that we announce the sudden and unexpected passing of our beloved husband and father, Dr. Zafar ul-Hasan Fatimi of Bellport, New York on December 18, 2018 at the age of seventy-three.

Zafar was born June 1, 1945 in India and moved to Karachi, Pakistan with his immediate family during the Partition of India and Pakistan in 1947. He was considered a bookworm as a child and began college at the age of fourteen. At twenty-four, Zafar immigrated to America to study anesthesiology. One his fondest memories when he first moved to America was all the ice cream available in the supermarkets.

He fell in love with his physician wife, Khem, while training at Downstate Hospital in Brooklyn.

He set down roots in Bellport, New York in 1974 where he proudly raised three daughters, Safia, Tanya, and Meena. He spent much of his career at Brookhaven Memorial Hospital in Patchogue.

Zafar was an avid reader and crossword enthusiast. Since his retirement from clinical practice, his daily ritual was a five-mile run followed by a visit to the Bellport or Southold Library. He and Khem are active members of the Bellport Rotary Club. He loved to unwind at his beach home in Southold, travel the world with Khem, and relax in his easy chair surrounded by his four grandchildren, Yasmeen, Farah, Salma, and Kalyan.

As the eldest brother, he helped his six siblings and their families with their educations, careers, and successful immigration to the United States. He recently celebrated the marriage of his youngest daughter, Meena to Lynly on December 8, 2018. The wedding was an extended family reunion with relatives travelling from Canada, California, and Pakistan to join in the festivities.

He and his siblings recently sponsored the construction of a new school in Karachi, Pakistan in honor of their father, Professor Amanat Ali. The school was built through the

The Citizens Foundation (TCF), a non-profit organization whose aim is equal education of girls and boys.

He is survived by his wife of 47 years, Khem Pradhan Fatimi; his daughters Safia of Port Washington, Tanya of Katonah, and Meena of New York. He will be remembered fondly by his children-in-law, Ramon Muñoz, Arjun Ganesan, Lynly Egyes; his grandchildren, Yasmeen, Farah, Salma, and Kalyan; and his siblings and their families--Zia and Zainab of Boston, Zareena of New Jersey, Nilofer and Saulat of Karachi.

Visitation at Robertaccio Funeral Home, Patchogue NY, Thursday December 20, 2018.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to The Citizens Foundation – Attention: Professor Amanat Ali School. [Tcfusa.org](http://Tcfusa.org)

# Cemetery

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## Woodland Cemetery

Station Road at Head of the Neck  
Road  
Bellport, NY, 11713

# Events

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**DEC** **Visitation** 11:00AM - 01:00PM

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Robertaccio Funeral Home - Patchogue  
85 Medford Avenue, Patchogue, NY, US,  
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**DEC** **Funeral Service** 01:00PM

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# Comments

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“ A tribute video has been added.



**Robertaccio Funeral Home, Inc.** - December 19, 2018 at 06:59 PM

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“ So sad to hear the shocking news. I only met Zafar once, though he seemed like a very kind and compassionate man, possessed of a deep human warmth. My condolences to you all. - David Egyes

**David A Egyes** - January 02, 2019 at 02:56 PM

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“ Dear Tanya and family,  
I am so saddened to hear of your father's passing. He was such a kind and gentle soul. Wishing you peace and comfort in this difficult time.  
Carrie Walsh

**Carrie Walsh** - December 21, 2018 at 05:55 PM

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“ Dear Madam Rtn Khem Pradhan Fatimi,  
We at Rotary Club of Kalimpong, Rotary International District 3240 (India), are deeply saddened by the sudden demise of your beloved husband, Dr Zafar H Fatimi. He was a good man indeed. All the members who were lucky enough to meet him remember him fondly. They especially reminisce about his great sense of humour. Please accept our condolences. We know you are in immense pain at losing your husband on the very day of your 47th anniversary but such is life. His legacy remains forever in our Sankha Mani Pradhan and Hasta Maya Pradhan Humanitarian Library. Love and prayers,  
The Rotary Club of Kalimpong family

**Sheila Rai-fudong** - December 20, 2018 at 02:31 PM

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“ Dear Safia and Family,  
I am so sorry to hear about the loss of your father. Please send my condolences to your family during this very difficult time.  
Love always,  
Sheryl Demetres & Family

Sheryl Demetres - December 20, 2018 at 12:21 PM

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“ Fatimi Family,  
I am so sorry to hear about Mr. Fatimi passing. I have so many fond memories with all of you growing up. Mr. Fatimi was always fun and would just go with the flow. Thinking of you all at this time.

Love, Shannon McCann Hynes, and Family

Shannon McCann Hynes - December 20, 2018 at 10:30 AM

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“ 138 files added to the album LifeTributes



Robertaccio Funeral Home, Inc. - December 19, 2018 at 05:56 PM