

Dr Bage Runange Yominao

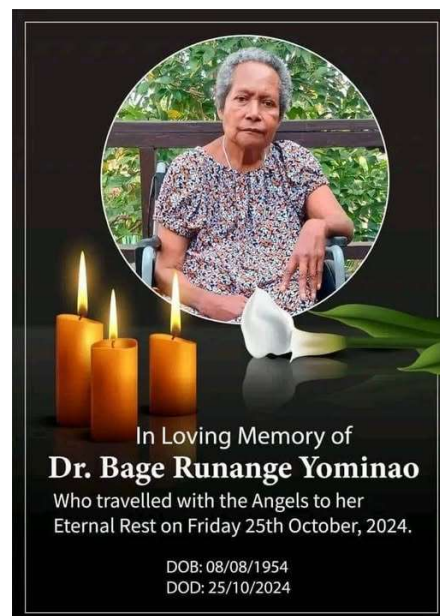
From Renate (Flierl) Eppelein, as forwarded by Tanya (Senff) Mayer

Dr Bage Yominao was in KLS at least 2 years maybe 1967 and 1968. Renate kept a friendship with her over the years and said she became a medical doctor and worked at a hospital in Port Moresby. She married a British medical doctor and had a family too. I think she would have finished seventh grade at Wau in 1968. “



From Facebook – “Front Line Papua New Guinea”

Remembering Dr. Bage Runange Yominao, PNG's First Female Ophthalmologist
We honor the incredible legacy of Dr. Bage Runange Yominao, who passed away on October 25, 2024, at the age of 70. Born on August 8, 1954, in Zare Aingse Village, Morobe Patrol Post, Morobe Province, Dr. Yominao was a trailblazer in eye health, becoming Papua New Guinea's first female ophthalmologist and only the second national ophthalmologist.



Her career was defined by exceptional dedication and impact. In 1998, she was appointed as the National Coordinator of Eye Care, where she revolutionized the training of eye care professionals, making critical services more accessible to communities across the nation. Her leadership was instrumental in organizing initiatives like the 5th Eye Care Nurse Conference, which strengthened PNG's healthcare infrastructure.

Dr. Yominao's influence extended far beyond the medical field. She served as an Independent Director on the Board of the Women's Micro Bank, tirelessly advocating for financial inclusion and empowering women to take control of their economic futures. Her passing marks a profound loss for Papua New Guinea, but her legacy lives on through the countless lives she touched and the barriers she broke for women in medicine. Join us in remembering Dr. Bage Runange Yominao's extraordinary contributions and celebrating a life dedicated to service, empowerment, and care.

From the Chairman, Woman's Micro Bank Limited

"We are deeply saddened by the passing of Dr Bage Runange Yominao, a former Board Director at Women's Micro Bank branded as Mama Bank, whose contribution and vision helped shape the Bank's commitment to financial inclusion and empowerment for underserved communities. Her commitment to the people of Papua New Guinea and her invaluable guidance in the Board room were instrumental in advancing our mission to provide accessible banking and financial literacy, especially for women and rural communities.

Dr Yominao's leadership, compassion, and commitment to social progress left a profound impact on our organization and the broader community. Her solid dedication to promoting economic growth and stability for all was a guiding force, inspiring many to pursue similar paths of service and empowerment.

From the board, management, and staff; we extend our heartfelt condolences to the late Dr Yominao's family, friends, and all who had the privilege of working alongside her. Her legacy will forever remain a part of Mama Bank's journey and the positive transformation she championed that will continue to resonate in the lives she touched.