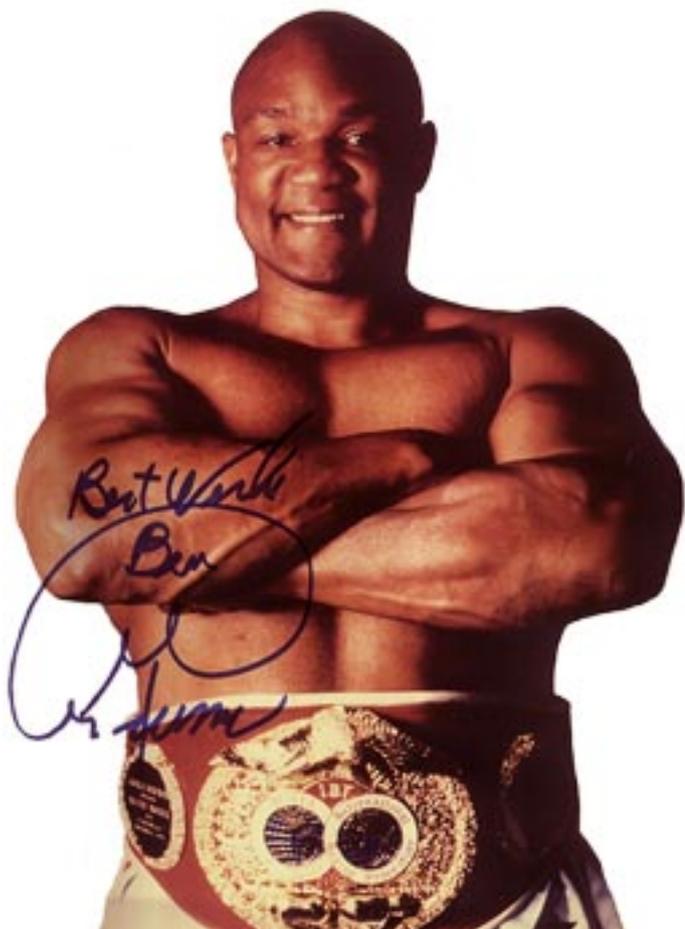


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He is 62 years old now, and has a bit of protective padding around the midsection, as one might expect from a fella who has made no secret of his fondness for cheeseburgers. But I have a theory about ole George Foreman, the heavyweight champion in the mid 70s, and then again in the mid 90s.

I think he could come out of retirement, take a few months to get into proper shape, and in his first fight back after 13 years of hiatus, he could beat some heavyweights in the Top 30.

I'm looking at you, 22-year-old Tyson Fury.

I think George could leave some grill marks on your forehead, and show you that Grandpas can bang, too, 26-year-old Sam Sexton.

Alex Leapai, age 30, you'd likely have to leap out of the way of the Foreman launches if you wanted to stay conscious.

That's been a theory of mine for a solid decade, that Foreman, who was 48 in his last bout--to date--which was a majority loss against Shannon Briggs in Atlantic City on Nov. 22, 1997.

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And guess what? The big guy agrees with me.

I chatted up Foreman a few days ago, and have to admit, it was a bit of a thrill, and an honor. The interview was for another project I'm doing, on Muhammad Ali.

Foreman was sharp, witty, and profound in a 30 minute session. At the end, I asked him about my Comebacking George Could Still Kick Some Tail Theory.

He was on board: "The sad thing about it is, it's true."

It would take six months to get into shape," he continued. "And whoever was the champion, it's not to say I would win, but they'd have to back away."

Amen, sir. I concur. Klitschkos, Haye, they'd have to back away. They'd have to respect this Grandpa's guns. "They would have to come up with a strategy," he said. "I would love to say they'd kill me. It's not to be proud of. I love boxing."

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Radam G says:

No doubt Rev. (Big) George Foreman would have put a serious beatdown on nowadays stiffs, tomato cans, tallies, fatties and bums. Give your donation to charity. Holla!

Matthew says:

Foreman probably still could beat some of the top heavyweights out there. That's as much a compliment to Big George as it is a condemnation of the current state of the heavyweight division. By the way, Foreman's last fight did NOT end in a majority draw, but rather a majority decision loss to Shannon Briggs. I like my minutiae to be accurate.

steadadelica says:

This is a wet-dream of an article.