



## Bonnette "Bonnie" Cecille Magallanes

June 29, 1936 - June 1, 2021

Bonnette "Bonnie" Cecille Magallanes nee Shiffer, passed away unexpectedly June 1st, 2021. Bonnie was born 06/29/1936 In Ventura California to Charles Shiffer and Cecille Couvillon.

Bonnie spent most of her adult life in California. She raised three boys, mostly as a single mother. To provide for her family she worked for McDonnell Douglas for many years, and later for Chevron, which she retired from. Upon retirement she moved to Texas to be closer to her eldest son Sean and grandchildren. Within the first week of moving into her new house a hundred-year flood hit the area and her home was flooded and a lot of her possessions floated away. That did not stop her she persevered. She bought a mobile home and settled in Schertz, Texas. While working as a people greeter at Walmart she met Leonard Magallanes and married him October 2nd, 2004, in Schertz, Texas.

Bonnie loved to knit and made many blankets for her family. Her Grandson Mitch Meadows and wife Cynthia received the last one she made. A labor of love for her unborn great grandchild. Bonnie's favorite things were to spend time with her family, friends, and cats.

Bonnie was preceded in death by her parents, first husband Patrick Skehan, Brothers Dennis and Charles Shiffer and niece Kelly Shiffer.

Bonnie is survived by her husband Leonard Magallanes, sons Sean (Connie) Skehan, Bernie (Robin) Skehan, and Charles (Susie) Meadows. Stepchildren Linda (Roel) Valadez, Gabriel (Sandra) Magallanes and Chuck Magallanes all of Texas. Grandchildren Christine (Bobby) Reynolds, Michael (Sarah) Skehan, John Jerdet, William Kane, Jennifer (Bill) Maxey, Sean Skehan, Michael Skehan, Steven Skehan, Dusti Skehan, Robert Willis, Steven Willis, Daniel Willis, Mitch Meadows, Samuel Meadows, Nicholas Meadows, Adriana Valadez, Eric Valadez, Sabrina Magallanes, Carissa Magallanes, Joseph Magallanes, Laura Magallanes, and Anna Redmond. Brother Mark (Martha) Shiffer, Sister Andrea Heintz, Nephews Mark (Nadya) Shiffer Jr, Wesley (Denise) Shiffer, Richard Heintz. Sister-in-Law Cynthia Shiffer. 34 great grandchildren, 2 great great grandchildren.

Visitation 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Tuesday, June 15, 2021 followed by a 12:00 p.m., Chapel Service at Mission Park Funeral Chapels North. Interment to follow in Mission Retama Cemetery.

# Cemetery Details

## Mission Retama Cemetery

15940 Lookout Road  
San Antonio, TX 78202  
(210) 967-4242  
<https://www.missionparks.com/>

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 15. 11:00 AM (CT)

Mission Park Funeral Chapels North  
3401 Cherry Ridge Drive  
San Antonio, TX 78230

## Chapel Service

JUN 15. 12:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

CH

“ *grandma bonnie was such a sweet beloved grandma ever she was always there for everyone and she always had that cute smile on her face. she was always in pain but always made the best of life and was happy. she put her beautiful makeup on which made her very pretty. i looked at some pictures of her along time ago with her make up on and all dressed up it made me tear because seeing her so happy made me happy. seeing her suffer on the hospital bed in pain just made me break down inside. i wish i could've gotten more time to visit her with my mom. she would always send me gift cards with a face on it. it would just make me so happy and i would thank her. i wish i could've gotten even more time to talk to her and get more close to her. i remember when i was little i was a brat and would always make her annoyed. i would move stuff and do other things to make her mad. i wish i never would've done that. she would always get after me for those things. i also remember me going to visit her with mom and she made us soup it was so good and i remember the time i would sleep in her room and bathe in her bathtub and i fell asleep on her bed. she was so beloved towards my mom and she loved her wine. and i made her a candle and she lighted it up.*



*i miss her so much and i'm so glad she's not suffering anymore she probably up in paradise have a cat party right now and being so happy looking down on us.*

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chloe - June 14, 2021 at 06:12 PM

TR

“ It has been a blessing having grandma Bonnie in our lives. She would always make sure my son and I were doing good, always cared for others and if you had room for a cat she would make sure you had one! Haha that’s how I got Boots, I love how the family all had soooo much cat food! It was humorous and a true blessing. It was always nice chatting with her, I would stop by her place a few times when I traveled to Austin. She was always welcoming and always good conversation. She cared so much for the entire family, always talking so kind about everyone. She cared so much, it’s nice to see that in this world. Grandma Bonnie and her kindness will be missed. Boots has one of her coffee mugs, a very suiting one. I’m glad I got to see you before you passed, and glad I got to say goodbye....



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**timothy reynolds** - June 14, 2021 at 11:56 AM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Bonnette "Bonnie" Cecille Magallanes.



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June 12, 2021 at 02:06 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Bonnette "Bonnie" Cecille Magallanes.*



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June 11, 2021 at 06:21 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Bonnette "Bonnie" Cecille Magallanes.*



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June 11, 2021 at 05:07 PM



“ *We're very sorry for your loss, Bonnie sounds like a very loving and wonderful mother and grandmother. May your memories of her carry you through this hard time.*

*I'm attaching a picture that I took when she came out to California for my dad's 70th birthday party in 2008. Cousins/siblings - Jim Shiffer (my dad), Bonnie, Don Shiffer and Mark Shiffer --- Elizabeth Sinor*



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**Elizabeth Sinor** - June 11, 2021 at 11:16 AM

SS

*Yes I've seen this picture before. Thanks for posting it here.*

**Sean Skehan** - June 11, 2021 at 02:34 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Bonnette "Bonnie" Cecille Magallanes.*



June 11, 2021 at 10:52 AM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Bonnette "Bonnie" Cecille Magallanes.*



June 10, 2021 at 09:47 PM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Bonnette "Bonnie" Cecille Magallanes.*



June 10, 2021 at 09:04 PM

BJ

“ *Bea Rutledge and Scott Jerdet purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Bonnette "Bonnie" Cecille Magallanes.*



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**Bea Rutledge and Scott Jerdet** - June 10, 2021 at 06:15 PM

CJ

“ *Connie Jerdet-Skehan lit a candle in memory of Bonnette "Bonnie" Cecille Magallanes*



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**Connie Jerdet-Skehan** - June 10, 2021 at 06:11 PM

LS

“ *Love, Sean and Connie Skehan purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Bonnette "Bonnie" Cecille Magallanes.*



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**Love, Sean and Connie Skehan** - June 10, 2021 at 06:10 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Bonnette "Bonnie" Cecille Magallanes.*



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June 10, 2021 at 05:34 PM



“ I'd like to share some words about my Great Grandma Bonnie.

*She was full of love and kindness, always. I have a lot of great memories with her when I was younger, maybe about 15 years ago or so. My mom and I would stay several nights with Grandma at her home in the summers. We always got spoiled with lots of little candies and cookies and we would always go to her favorite restaurant called Garcia's mexican restaurant. She always made sure we were well fed! I remember at the time she had about 5 cats: Daisy, Matilda, Smoky, Maggie, and Mateo. Boy did Grandma Bonnie love cats. She would have several cat beds, bowls and toys everywhere in each room, you can say they were pretty spoiled haha. I sure did love being there with all her cats. I specifically remember one week where my parents went on vacation so I spent a week at Grandma's house and man I was so spoiled! I got to take a few trips to Walmart with her and she bought me snacks that I liked, and even toys and movies for me to watch. I remember relaxing in her bed watching my movies "High School Musical" where I was accompanied by her beloved grey cat called Smoky. When it was time for me to go back home, she sent me home with a bunch of makeup too!*

*Fast forward a few years later to the beginning of Facebook days. Grandma and I, and a few other of our family members sure did love to play a Facebook game called Farmville. It was a game that involved various aspects of farmland management, such as plowing land, planting, growing, and harvesting crops. I actually have a little funny story about this. I was about 12 at the time and one of the friends I had on Facebook actually tried to add Grandma as a friend and he started messaging her asking for Farmville items. Haha! She was kind of confused and upset that this little kid whom she did not know was annoying her. So once when my mom and I were over at her home, she said to me, "Karen, I need your help on my computer. Please get this annoying THING off of my computer !!!!!" Hahaha, I was thinking it was going to be some sort of virus pop up but it was just my annoying friend in her Facebook messages. She*

*thought it was a bot account haha but I did end up blocking his account for her.*

*Now fast forward again to just a few years ago. I also really love cats just like my Grandma Bonnie, I had 2 of my own at the time. She would always chat with me and ask how my family and the cats were doing. A few times Grandma ended up sending me months and months supply of cat food through the mail, I would always be so surprised at how much cat food she sent haha! She always did sweet and caring things like that.*

*Every year for Christmas for as long as I can remember she would give everyone hand-picked out gifts. There was one year I got some kitty towels and kitty bathroom set, she sure did know I love cats. She would also always send cute happy birthday cards through the mail, usually a flower or cat card, with a cat stamp. She would always include a hand drawn little picture of a smiley face with curly hair on everyone's cards.*

*As Grandma Bonnie has passed, I have taken in one of her cats called Olivia. I am so glad I can do this, as I know she wanted all of her cats to go to loving and caring homes. Jen has your other cats Grandma, Twinkles and Sadie. It feels good that we have a little piece of Grandma with us. I promise you we will take great care of your cats Grandma Bonnie. I am so grateful for all the times we spent together and I love you Grandma. I will miss you so so much. Rest in peace Grandma, our beautiful angel.*

*Love,  
Karen*



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**Karen Reynolds** - June 10, 2021 at 02:41 PM

SG

“ Seaneen Gunckel lit a candle in memory of Bonnette "Bonnie" Cecille Magallanes



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**Seaneen Gunckel** - June 10, 2021 at 01:44 PM

SG

“ Seaneen, Jim, and GG purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Bonnette "Bonnie" Cecille Magallanes.



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**Seaneen, Jim, and GG** - June 10, 2021 at 01:42 PM

“ *My beautiful memories of Bonnie.*

*Bonnie was my Father Patrick Herbert Skehan 1st wife. Sean and Bernie's father.*

*Bonnie always shared her beloved love to my brothers, family, friends and along with me.*

*Even though I was not her daughter, she always treated me as her own.*

*She had the most compassion love for all humans, animal and the biggest caring loving heart.*

*Over the past five years I became a grandma to my beloved GG. Bonnie, loved GG as her own Great Granddaughter. That was Bonnie's nature.*

*When GG was born, she was so excited to make her a beautiful green and orange afghan. Then every Birthday, and Christmas she would send GG beautiful dresses, and sweet little trinkets, along with a beautiful card.*

*Bonnie always made me feel loved just like I was her daughter.*

*Bonnie's kindness and gentle heart is the only person that I can even compare to my own Grandma Bunny.*

*I will deeply miss our FB messages, phone calls, and her beautiful b-day cards, and gifts.*

*Along with her loving wishes and kind words of love to me.*

*She would always tell me how proud she was of me.*

*She was like a 2nd Mom to me after my mother passed. Always sending loving cards, with a special note and gifts.*

*I will hold Bonnie's Love in my Heart for Eternity.*

*I know she has the Largest Angel Wings in Heaven! She is spreading her Sweet Love and Kindness to all the Angels above in Heaven.*

*Until we meet Again...I Love You to the Moon and Back... My Sweet Bonnie Angel.*

*God Bless and Rest in Peace  
Love,  
Seaneen, Jim and GG*

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**Seaneen Gunckel** - June 10, 2021 at 01:08 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Bonnette "Bonnie" Cecille Magallanes.*



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June 10, 2021 at 12:34 PM



“ *Mission Park North lit a candle in memory of Bonnette "Bonnie" Cecille Magallanes*



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**Mission Park North** - June 10, 2021 at 09:39 AM