



Dona May Rennie

November 2, 1940 - January 5, 2025

Dona May Rennie, a cherished mother, grandmother, and friend, passed away peacefully on January 5, 2025, at the age of 84. She was born on November 2, 1940, in Minot, North Dakota, to Anna Mae and Howard Melius.

Dona was preceded in death by her beloved husband of 49+ years, Cecil Gordon Rennie, her parents, and her brothers: Gary Melius, Dennis Melius, Dean Melius, and Sidney Melius.

Dona is survived by her son, Robert and his wife Ana Rennie, her daughter, Lisa and her husband Ruben Arzuaga, and her sister, Sharol Durrenberger. Also by her sister-in-laws Sharon Melius, Darlene Melius and Angie Melius. Her love for her grandchildren was a defining part of her life, and she leaves behind Justine and her husband Eliazar Flores, Ian and his wife Ashley Elizardi-Rennie, Todd Rennie, Ivy Lopez, Steven Rennie, Adrian Arzuaga, Mariah Arzuaga, and Gabriel Arzuaga. She was also a proud great-grandmother to Avalyn, Ainsley, and Alrek Flores. Dona's legacy is carried on by her beloved family, who will always hold her memory in their hearts.

In her final years, Dona was surrounded by a team of caregivers who provided compassionate care and comfort. The family would like to express their deepest gratitude to George and Victoria Fundureanu, Elizabeth and Gabi Berariu, and Martha Martinez. The nurses of Abundance Hospice—Kim,

Caitlyn, Robert—and her social worker, Angela, ensured Dona's transition was handled with dignity, respect, and loving care, for which the family will be forever thankful.

Dona's life was marked by her devotion to her family. She dedicated much of her time to caring for her loved ones, ensuring they were always well taken care of. Outside of her family life, Dona had a creative spirit. She found joy in sewing and ceramics, creating beautiful pieces such as vases and owls, which she shared with those she loved. Dona's nurturing nature extended beyond her home, and during her working years, she held a variety of roles. She worked as a pet groomer, a childcare worker at La Petite, a bus aide with the Northside Independent School District, and a crossing guard. One of her most notable positions was as a beautician at her mother's beauty shop, "Vogue Beauty Shop," in Minot.

Her role as a military spouse was also one of great importance. When Cecil, her beloved husband, was deployed to Vietnam, Dona stepped up to take care of their family. She managed the household and ensured that her children thrived in his absence, always maintaining a sense of strength and resilience.

Dona was a woman who gave freely of her time, her love, and her heart. She will be deeply missed by all who knew her. Her legacy of kindness, love, and strength lives on in the hearts of her family and friends. As we mourn her passing, we also celebrate the incredible life she led—a life filled with love, devotion, and an unwavering commitment to those she held dear.

Dona will forever be remembered as a pillar of strength, love, and grace. May she rest in peace, knowing that her love and influence will continue to inspire and guide her family for generations to come.

Cemetery Details

Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery

1520 Harry Wurzbach Rd.
San Antonio, TX 78209

Previous Events

Public Visitation

JAN 22. 8:45 AM - 9:00 AM (CT)

Mission Park Funeral Chapels South, Cemeteries & Crematories
1700 SE Military Dr
San Antonio, TX 78214
(210) 924-4242
<https://www.missionparks.com/>

Funeral Service

JAN 22. 9:00 AM (CT)

Mission Park Funeral Chapels South, Cemeteries & Crematories
1700 SE Military Dr
San Antonio, TX 78214
(210) 924-4242
<https://www.missionparks.com/>

Funeral Procession

JAN 22. 10:00 AM (CT)

Mission Park Funeral Chapels South, Cemeteries & Crematories
1700 SE Military Dr
San Antonio, TX 78214
(210) 924-4242
<https://www.missionparks.com/>

Committal Service

JAN 22. 11:00 AM (CT)

Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery
1520 Harry Wurzbach Rd
San Antonio, TX 78209
(210) 820-3891

Tribute Wall



“ *Sweet Sincerity was purchased for the family of Dona May Rennie.* ”



January 21, 2025 at 04:50 PM



“ *Brent Hinrichs purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Dona May Rennie.* ”



Brent Hinrichs - January 17, 2025 at 08:35 PM



“ *The Melius Family purchased the Pink Potpourri Bouquet for the family of Dona May Rennie.* ”



The Melius Family - January 17, 2025 at 01:12 PM

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“ Every summer for many years, my family would visit the Rennie's and spend time BBQing, swimming, playing in the water hose and eating slabs of cold watermelon. Her daughter Lisa and son Rob were my age and Dona always treated me like one of her own. She was the epitome of the perfect housewife and mother and I loved spending time at their house. Dona had a beautiful smile and her soft spoken ways made me feel comfortable and loved whenever I visited. My deepest condolences to her family - may she rest in peace.

Renee Cherry Arismendez - January 15, 2025 at 06:37 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Dona May Rennie.



January 11, 2025 at 09:39 AM

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“ Yoal and Angela family purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Dona May Rennie.



Yoal and Angela family - January 11, 2025 at 06:41 AM



“ *Forever Our Angel Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dona May Rennie.*



January 10, 2025 at 10:25 PM