



Janice Christine O'Donnell

December 5, 1952 - January 27, 2022

For memorial card:

Janice Christine O'Donnell of San Antonio, Texas, was called home to be reunited with her beloved husband on Thursday, January 27, 2022.

She is preceded in death by her husband, William "Bill" Gardner, her parents, Bill and Charlotte (Whitcomb) O'Donnell and her twin brother, John. Janice, or better known as "Grandma", is survived by her daughter Tana Leonard, Tana's husband Jarrod; her granddaughters, Savannah and Shelby; siblings, Julaine, Jimmy and Jeanine, as well as many nieces and nephews.

Janice was born in Pasadena California. Janice was raised in Texas and graduated from Harlingen High School in 1971. A vibrant child, loving daughter, and the best sister to her siblings, Janice drew people to her from the moment she came into this world.

In adulthood Janice moved to Dallas where she met the love of her life, William "Bill" Gardner. Janice and Bill eventually moved to San Antonio, Texas where they lived and raised their family. Janice worked in the insurance industry the vast majority of her professional career. She was well known for her beautiful spirit, kind heart, and loving nature. She was quick to make lifelong friendships with many people while working at SWBC over the last 32

years.

Janice was fierce in her love for her family and friends, always willing to drop everything for anyone, including her animals. She adored her cats and made sure to give them all a loving home.

Janice was always known for her love to entertain, enjoyed going to dinner and a movie with her most special friends. Dancing at dinner parties with her incredibly striking beauty was instantly the brightest light in the room. It was upon the arrival of her two beautiful granddaughters, Savannah and Shelby, that Janice's world changed forever. She instantly won the prize for "best grandmother ever", developing a beautiful special bond with her granddaughters over the last 15 years. While often taking them on all day shopping trips, movie nights, ice cream runs, and weekend long swimming and fun in the sun adventures. The love she held for her granddaughters was immeasurable and like no other. A bond so special that even now two worlds apart, will never be separated.

Visitation will begin at 12:00 P.M. followed by the Memorial Service at 1:00 P.M. on Thursday, February 3, 2022 at Oak Hills Mortuary, 8332 Fredericksburg Road, San Antonio, Texas 78229. Reception to follow service. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in Janice's name to the Animal Defense League of Texas.

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 3. 12:00 PM (CT)

Mission Park-Medical Center
8332 Fredericksburg Road
San Antonio, TX 78229
(210) 616-0510
sparks@missionparks.com
<http://www.missionparks.com>

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Tribute Wall

DP

“ I'm so very sorry to see this.. I still miss Janice. I was thinking about her.. & came to visit this site again.. just to see her face. One more time, ya know? I loved her.. & will always remember all the great days in Dallas. With much love, Donna

Donna Pattison - May 01, 2024 at 06:56 AM

MC

“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



Milton Clark - February 02, 2022 at 07:30 PM

MC

Janice's Twin Brother

John Frederick O'Donnell

1951-1992

Milton Clark - February 02, 2022 at 07:33 PM

DP

I love seeing this picture of John!!

Donna Pattison - May 01, 2024 at 06:58 AM

LS

“ *Luann S. purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Janice Christine O'Donnell.*



Luann S. - February 02, 2022 at 04:46 PM

KN

“ *Kim Nguyen purchased the Sweet Solace Spray for the family of Janice Christine O'Donnell.*



Kim Nguyen - February 02, 2022 at 02:38 PM

JG

“ *Janice had a beautiful soul that is now in heaven with the angels and all of those she loved that passed before her. We will celebrate her life journey with bits of blue since it was her favorite color. I miss you dearly my friend.*

Julie & Mel Gardner - February 02, 2022 at 11:26 AM

SR

“ *Sonia Rogers purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Janice Christine O'Donnell.*



Sonia Rogers - February 02, 2022 at 10:38 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Janice Christine O'Donnell.*



February 02, 2022 at 10:37 AM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Janice Christine O'Donnell.*



February 01, 2022 at 10:20 PM



“ *I know she spoke of how proud she was of her family. We are all numb ! But What Janice would say is we can be numb together ! She touched so many peoples lives including mine when I was at a young age. She could keep a secret, absolutely loved teasing her and laughs were endless ! She had many plans ahead but most of all it was to keep the family together ! She is still doing this as we speak right now !*

I'll forever driving fast to hit a bump to get you to squill and I'll miss our house hunting and pretending to be your house realtor!

Love you and will forever keep your laugh alive !



Amanda Hasenbank - February 01, 2022 at 05:50 PM



“ *Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Janice Christine O'Donnell.*



February 01, 2022 at 04:38 PM



“ *Janice was my best friend for 45 years. We met in Dallas when in our early twenties. She became my inspiration and mentor. She was a few years older and I aspired to become an underwriter like her, which I did. She taught me to have a good work ethic by being a good role model. She was always a reliable hard working employee. We roomed together for a time and I think Janice survived on avocados, mac and cheese and popcorn. We would go out on the town and always made Bill's house our last stop. He would make us a fancy night cap. I miss Bill. He was the love of Janice's life from the moment they met. I recently asked Janice why she was still working as she could afford to retire. She said she still enjoyed going to work. Janice always had the ability to light up a room when she entered, Heads would turn and smiles would appear. I had fun just watching her in action. She made friends so effortlessly. She was beautiful inside and out. We experienced many joyous times and many sorrows over the years and I will miss her deeply. Rest well my friend and know you were loved by many, especially me. Tana will always hold a special place in my heart. I pray that her pain will soon fade and good memories will endure. Love always,
LaRae*

LaRae Prehn - February 01, 2022 at 12:56 PM

DI

“ Ditter purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Janice Christine O'Donnell.



Ditter - February 01, 2022 at 12:33 PM

JC

“ John and Liz Campbell purchased the Love's Journey for the family of Janice Christine O'Donnell.



John and Liz Campbell - February 01, 2022 at 12:33 PM

JB

“ Julaine Barnes purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Janice Christine O'Donnell.



Julaine Barnes - February 01, 2022 at 10:26 AM



“ Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Janice Christine O'Donnell.



February 01, 2022 at 09:31 AM

SM

“ I am deeply saddened by the loss of my coworker and friend. Janice was always so kind to me and willing to help any time I had a question about work. For 26 years I have known Janice and cannot imagine not seeing her at work. She had a smile that would light up any room that she walked in. She was so fun, but also had a beautiful and loving spirit. She would usually come by my desk to say hi with her cell phone in hand to show me the latest pictures of her granddaughters, and to share how proud she was of them and their accomplishments. I will miss her so much. My prayers are with Tana and her family.

Stefanie Marquez - February 01, 2022 at 09:17 AM

AL

“ So many wonderful memories.....cruises, clubs, dancing, movies, lots of popcorn, dinners, Larry cooking steaks for Janice, calling her for soup pickups, She and Bill were so dear to us. Such a beautiful person, she will be missed by so many. An empty place in our heart.

Abbie and Larry - February 01, 2022 at 09:15 AM

AL

“ Abbie and Larry purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Janice Christine O'Donnell.



Abbie and Larry - February 01, 2022 at 09:06 AM

MR

“ I have had many phone calls and email exchanges with Janice. She was always willing to help me figure out exactly what I wanted or needed. It breaks my heart to hear of this. I will truly miss her.

Michelle Rodriguez

Michelle Rodriguez - January 31, 2022 at 09:54 PM

MC

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Milton Clark - January 31, 2022 at 09:40 PM

MC

So glad I was able to spend this special time with Janice during Christmas!

Milton Clark - January 31, 2022 at 09:42 PM

MR

“ Michelle Rodriguez purchased the Days of Sunshine Bouquet for the family of Janice Christine O'Donnell.



Michelle Rodriguez - January 31, 2022 at 09:40 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Janice Christine O'Donnell.*



January 31, 2022 at 09:04 PM



“ *Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses was purchased for the family of Janice Christine O'Donnell.*



January 31, 2022 at 08:09 PM



“ *2 files added to the tribute wall*



Milton Clark - January 31, 2022 at 08:06 PM



“ *Julie & Mel Gardner purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Janice Christine O'Donnell.*



Julie & Mel Gardner - January 31, 2022 at 07:58 PM



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January 31, 2022 at 07:58 PM



“ *Roger & Nancy and Coil purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Janice Christine O'Donnell.*



Roger & Nancy and Coil - January 31, 2022 at 07:44 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Janice Christine O'Donnell.*



January 31, 2022 at 06:30 PM



“ *Janice was truly a beautiful woman inside and out. She beamed every time you asked her about her grand children and her love for her family was endless. I'm honored to have been part of her SWBC family and I'm going to miss the inner glow and light she brought to the office every day.*

Debbie Marino - January 31, 2022 at 04:00 PM

MS

“ I am saddened like everyone here at SWBC. Janice's smile and warmth will be missed always. Praying for all that loved her.

Mandy Smith - January 31, 2022 at 01:58 PM

TC

“ I'm so sorry to hear of the loss of Janice. My deepest condolences to her family and friends. May the wonderful memories you've shared with her bring you comfort and peace during this time.

Taylor Cunningham - January 31, 2022 at 12:04 PM

DW

“ Dad/Kat, Tod, Jake, Lucas & wives/families purchased the Large Basket Garden for the family of Janice Christine O'Donnell.



Dad/Kat, Tod, Jake, Lucas & wives/families - January 30, 2022 at 07:14 PM