## **2019 DISTINGUISHED GRADUATE**



Monica Weidner Mortuary Science

"An investment in knowledge pays the best interest."
-Benjamin Franklin

Monica Weidner was raised in Corpus Christi and enlisted in the Marine Corps in her junior year of high school. Upon graduation, she left for boot camp and was assigned the occupation of air traffic controller. She met her husband, also a Marine, and traveled the world. After five duty stations over a span of 12 years, Monica left the Marine Corps due to illness. She then decided to home school her children and figure out her next step.

Monica and her family settled in San Antonio when her husband received his approval for retirement. She started the mortuary science program and was able to maintain a 4.0 GPA. She currently works at Doeppenschmidt Funeral Home in New Braunfels and plans to attend Texas State University to study forensic anthropology. Her long-term goal is to obtain a master's degree and one day return to the mortuary science department at SAC as an instructor.



