



## Idolina Cristela Ortiz

June 19, 1931 - September 9, 2022

On September 9, 2022, Idolina Cristela (Chela) Ortiz, 91, loving mother, grandmother, and all-around amazing woman, passed away peacefully in her sleep in Moses Lake, WA.

The oldest of six children, Chela was born on June 19, 1931, at Santa Rita Ranch, Texas to Santos Duarte and Manuela Garcia. The Great Depression was a difficult time for the family. She attended school to the eighth grade and dropped out to help her parents make ends meet. When she was 23, she met her future husband, Inocencio Ortiz, Jr. She married him on January 2, 1955 and together, they made their home in La Joya, Texas.

In 1965, the family moved to Warden, WA. No stranger to hard work, she raised her children while working full time. She would tend to her family during the day and worked at various potato plants at night. After years of working at Nestle's in Othello, WA, she retired in 1993.

Chela was a shy, kind, and loving person. She always put others first, especially her family, her friends, and her pets. She enjoyed spending time crocheting, doing ceramics, canning the garden vegetables, and tending to her numerous plants and flowers. She was a very talented cook, seamstress, and babysitter to her grandkids.

Chela is survived by her children Rafaela (Doug Mac Donald), Ino, Joel, Irasema Elizalde (Joe), Jorge (Debbie), Eli (Joy), and Gracie Melby (Doug). She is also survived by her grandchildren Stephen (Jackie), Sarah, Monica (Vince), Heather (Robert), Jennifer (CJ ), Joseph (Brandy), Amanda, Zachary, Nathaniel (Ali), Jared, Ben, Jessica (Jason), Luis, Estevan, Carlos, Josline, Jaidyn, Dylan and great grandchildren Lucas, Jonathan, Makenna, Cody, Madelynn, Ava Jo, Nash, Derek, Hudson, and Wyatt. She is also survived by her sisters Maria Luisa Perales and Jane Dicken. She is preceded in death by her husband Inocencio, an infant daughter, her brothers Demetrio, Henry, and John Duarte and her daughters-in-law Joetta Ortiz and Glenda Ortiz.

The family would like to send a special thank you to Daisy, Nagash, Joseph, and Michael from the Mekonen AFH for their loving care of Chela, especially over the last months.

A viewing will be held on September 14, 2022 at Kayser Chapel of Memories in Moses Lake, WA from 5:00-7:00 p.m. Funeral services will be held on September 15, 2022 at Queen of All Saints Catholic Church in Warden, WA with rosary starting at 10:30 followed by mass at 11:00.

# Cemetery Details

## Sunset Memorial Gardens

9934 Road U SE  
Warden, WA

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP **14**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (PT)

Kayser's Chapel of Memories  
831 S. Pioneer Way  
Moses Lake, WA

## Rosary

SEP **15**. 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM (PT)

Queen of All Saints Catholic Church  
1100 S. Pine  
Warden, WA

## Mass

SEP **15**. 11:00 AM (PT)

Queen of All Saints Catholic Church  
1100 S. Pine  
Warden, WA



# Tribute Wall

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“ *I remember your momma teaching me how to make tamales! She was such a beautiful person! She always said hi to me at Walmart when we saw each other! She was so special and had a wonderful soul!!*

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**noreen** - September 13, 2022 at 08:06 AM

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“ *Regina Hovgaard lit a candle in memory of Idolina Cristela Ortiz*



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**Regina Hovgaard** - September 12, 2022 at 11:39 PM