



**Mary Nell (Semroska) Huerta**, age 84, of Cozad, Nebraska passed away on Monday, January 4, 2021 at CHI Good Samaritan Hospital in Kearney, Nebraska surrounded by her 6 children.

Nellie was born in Crawford, Nebraska on January 16, 1936 to Richard and Barbara (Serres) Semroska. She grew up in Sioux County on the family ranch near Harrison. After the death of her father, she and two siblings (Ed and Joe) moved to Chadron with their mother. Nellie attended Chadron Assumption Academy graduating in 1955. After high school, she attended Chadron State College for one semester and worked at the local drug store.

Nellie met the love of her life, J. Conrad Huerta, in the spring of 1955 while he was a student at Chadron State College. They married on May 30th, 1956 and celebrated 61 years of marriage before his death.

Besides being the best stay at home mom, Nell did childcare for local teachers. Nell also worked as a Certified Nurses Aid and worked at the Elwood Care Center. She was active in her church by teaching CCD and by volunteering for Alter Society. Nell had a strong catholic faith which carried her through her life. Nellie had hobbies that she enjoyed: Ceramics, cross stitching, sewing, watching Western Movies, EWTN and cooking being some of her favorites. She loved spending time with her family, mostly her grandchildren.

Nellie was preceded in death by her husband J. Conrad Huerta, her parents, Barbara and Richard Semroska, her mother and father-in-law, Manuela and Pasqual Huerta, her sisters and their husbands Kay/Eldon Fox, Leona/Rich Robbins and Irene/Dallas Rex; her brothers and their wives Franklin/Ruth Semroska, Lawrence/Aggie Semroska, Donald Semroska, Ray/Doreen Semroska, Ed Semroska and stepsister Agnes DeBano. Sisters-in-law- Sr. Pasqualita Huerta, Connie McDowell, and Theresa Ramirez. Brother-in- Law and their wives Joe/Natalie Huerta, Pasqual Jr. Huerta, Thomas Lucius, and Perry Blanchard.

She is survived by her six children Kathy (Bill) Simpson- Winter Garden, Florida, Tony (Connie) Huerta- Caddo Mills, Texas, Greg (Lisa) Huerta- Kearney, Nebraska, Andy (Bev) Huerta- Aurora, Colorado, Vickie (Kevin) Gilbert-

Cozad, Nebraska, Tim (Krista) Huerta- Lexington, Nebraska; 16 Grandchildren and 17 Great Grandchildren with one more on the way. Brother, Joe (Karen) Semroska, Little Falls, Minnesota, Sister in laws- Mary Ellen Semroska- Harrison, Nebraska, MaryLou Semroska- Omaha, Nebraska, Laura Huerta- Brighton, Colorado, Rita Garcia, Kansas City, Missouri, Cora Lucius- Gering, Nebraska, Mary (Joe) Finocchio- Pueblo, Colorado, Brother in laws- Philip Huerta, Roswell, New Mexico, Salvador (Helen) Huerta- Scottsbluff, Nebraska, Patrick (Franca) Huerta- Bern, Switzerland and Stephen Huerta- Sidney, Nebraska. Many nieces, nephews and cousins.

Nell wanted to be remembered as a loving wife, mother, grandmother and great grandmother as well as a devoted catholic.

Memorials can be sent to Christ the King Catholic Church and Eternal Word Television Network (EWTN). Condolences and personal reflections may be left at [elwoodfuneralhome.com](http://elwoodfuneralhome.com).

Viewing and visitation will be Friday, January 8, 2021 from 6 PM till 7 PM at Christ the King Catholic Church, in Cozad, Nebraska with Rosary being recited following viewing at 7 PM. Mass of Christian Burial will be Saturday, January 9, 2021 at 10 AM at Christ The King Catholic Church, Cozad, Nebraska. There will be no reception after the service. Please wear masks if you will be attending. Service will be livestreamed on "Christ the King Catholic Church" Facebook page. Inurnment will be Monday, January 11, 2021 at 9:30 am at Fort McPherson National Cemetery, Maxwell, Nebraska. Elwood Funeral Home of Elwood, Nebraska is in charge of the arrangements.