



CHERYL ELAINE SKEEN

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PERRY, GEORGIA –

Cheryl Elaine Skeen, 60, of Perry, passed away peacefully at home surrounded by her family, on Thursday, July 17, 2025. A visitation to celebrate her life will be held at Watson-Hunt Funeral Home in Perry, Georgia, on Saturday, August 2, 2025, from 12:00 to 2:00 p.m. A private reception for family will occur in the morning on Saturday, August 2, 2025, at a location and time to be announced. In lieu of flowers, if you would like to donate to help honor Cheryl, please contact the family.

Cheryl was born in Manhattan, New York, on August 25, 1964, to the late Ronald Smith and the late Barbara Smith. She married her high school sweetheart, Gary Skeen, after they met at Powell Valley High School in Virginia. She graduated from Berea College in Kentucky, where she earned a Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration. After making homes on the east coast and then the west coast, the couple put down roots in Georgia. Her community will feel the loss of Cheryl in many ways, from her presence at local running events, to supporting Perry High School athletics, to her 30-year career as an accountant.

Cheryl was the heart and soul of the bereaved Skeen family. She was a devoted and loving wife, mother, “Mema,” daughter, and sister. Throughout her lifetime, she enjoyed many outdoor activities with her family. If you couldn’t find her outside, then she was either cooking one of her grandmother’s recipes or spending time with her grandchildren. She never missed a birthday party, sports event, or performance, and she found joy and purpose in her role as “Mema.” She loved to run with Gary and tune in to her favorite show, Dancing with the Stars. One of her biggest accomplishments was finishing the Disney World Marathon, which combined two of her favorite things: running and the magic of Disney. Known for always thinking of others before herself, she will be deeply missed.



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Cheryl was preceded in death by her mother, Barbara Lee Smith; her sister, Jodi Clark; and her brother, Gregory Gilly.

Left to cherish the memories they made with Cheryl are her loving husband of 42 years, Gary Skeen of Perry; her three children, Amber Howell (Josh) of Gray, Ashley Skeen of Perry, and Jeremy Skeen (Christina) of Boise, Idaho; her grandchildren, Kaleb Branch, Taylor Howell, Sawyer Howell, Josie Howell, Kivi Skeen, and Garrett Skeen; and multiple nieces, nephews, great-nieces, and great-nephews.

Condolences for the family may be left in the online guestbook at www.watsonhunt.com. Watson-Hunt Funeral Home has been entrusted with the service.




Events


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Visitation

 **Saturday**, August 2, 2025

 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM ET

 **Watson - Hunt Funeral Home**
1208 Main Street, Perry GA 31069





Tribute Wall

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Christi Willard Graham posted:

Thinking of your family during this time of loss & praying for the peace that only God can provide. Sincerely, Christi (Willard) Graham

August 8 at 6:23 AM



Anonymous sent a Multicolor Pastel Sympathy Basket to the SKEEN family.



July 31 at 2:21 PM



Anonymous planted a Memorial Tree in honor of CHERYL.



July 31 at 9:09 AM



Anonymous sent a White (Large) Sympathy Vase Arrangement to the SKEEN family.



July 31 at 9:09 AM



Anonymous sent a Sympathy Arrangement In Basket (Large) - Pink & White to the SKEEN family.



July 30 at 9:17 AM



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AO

Angela Owens posted:

I am in shock to learn of this and I am so very sorry for the loss this family has to face. I really didn't know her on a personal level but I did know her on a business level. She was always so professional and helpful. She was a very kind lady. She will be missed so much. She was so amazing and helpful when I was learning Quickbooks and so very knowledgeable. I will never forget how she made me feel smart even when I was doing something wrong. She had a wonderful demeanor about her and a wonderful glow of acceptance. I thank God for the little bit of time I had with her. I am praying for the family and her close friends. Please, God give them all peace and comfort at this time.

July 28 at 4:56 AM

PB

Pat Bass posted:

I have talk with Cheryl for over 25 years over the phone in regard to her job, but every conversation was always so sweet and helpful. I know she will be missed by her family and her work family. She had a very sweet spirit about her. I am so sad to hear of her loss, Pat Bass Hernando Fl.

July 27 at 7:50 AM

MM

Martha Miller lit a candle in honor of CHERYL.

Praying for you, Gary, and your family for peace and comfort! So sorry for your loss!

July 24 at 6:25 AM



NH

Nancy Harvey posted:

Praying for Gary and the rest of the family 🙏🙏 I'm so sorry for your loss. Cheryl was a beautiful person both inside and out.

July 23 at 6:49 PM



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Susie Skeen posted:

I have SO SO many memories of Cheryl. We met in high school, became fast & devoted friends &... the rest, as they say, is history. I could say everything that's already been said about her, but, to me, mere words don't even begin to say enough about the person she was, but she'd expect me to try anyway. We started out friends, did a lot of crazy things, shared secrets, happiness & disappointments, made Plans A, B, C & more & often laughed until we cried. Yes, she was my best friend & I already miss her, but I'm blessed that the friendship we cultivated over 40 +years of life gave me the sister I always wanted, but didn't have. I am forever thankful for that and as many memories as I have, I know her family has more & their grief & loss is deep & I hate this for me & certainly for them, . As indescribable as my "sister" was, so is the loss she has left behind. Right now, as I miss her, I am thanking God that I was blessed to know her & have her so firmly in my life. I know you didn't want to leave us, but I also know you are safe with your loved ones & our Heavenly Father. You can FINALLY rest now, unless my guys are acting afool. I love you so much! And to my other Skeen family, I love y'all, too & I'm so very sorry. I'm here for y'all, if you need me! God bless ya! Susie Skeen

July 23 at 1:58 PM



All-State Electrical planted a Memorial Tree in honor of CHERYL.



July 23 at 4:56 AM



All-State Electrical sent a Classic Sympathy Dish Garden to the SKEEN family.



July 23 at 4:56 AM



Vanessa Whitney posted:

Cheryl was the best! She absolutely loved her children and husband with every fiber of her being. She was a great meemaw... she loved her grandchildren, she loved spending time with them. She was my best friend for over 30 years. She had the biggest heart of anyone I knew. I will miss her terribly but I know she's in heaven with God, her mom, her sister and her brother. I'm not saying goodbye..I'm saying see you later. ❤️❤️❤️

July 22 at 6:50 PM



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Anonymous planted a Memorial Tree in honor of CHERYL.



July 22 at 2:19 PM



Anonymous sent a Peace, Prayers & Blessings - Blue and White to the SKEEN family.



July 22 at 2:19 PM



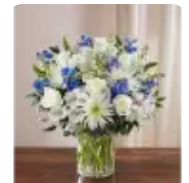
Aunt Jill posted:

My Precious Niece was such a blessing to me! We shared so many memories together in her childhood. She had such a giving heart through her many gifts, might be a sunshine box full of yellow things, a Trump shirt or a box of pecans she never stopped giving!! I love her dearly and she is forever in my heart! Rest now and know you are gonna be so missed ❤️. Aunt Jill

July 22 at 12:12 PM



Anonymous sent a Sincerest Sorrow Blue & White to the SKEEN family.



July 22 at 8:31 AM



Colton Wood sent a Love's Embrace Roses – White to the SKEEN family.



July 22 at 6:36 AM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring CHERYL by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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