



Cheryl Facette Head

November 12, 1960 - December 18, 2025

Cheryl Facette Head, age 65, passed away on December 18, 2025, surrounded by the love of her family. She was born on November 12, 1960, to the late Robert James Facette of Superior, Wisconsin, and Catherine Adams of Duluth, Georgia.

Cheryl was a devoted wife, loving mother, and adoring Nana whose life centered around her family. Her greatest joy came from the people she loved most, and she gave her heart fully to her husband, son, and grandchildren. After many years in Ellenwood, Georgia, Cheryl moved to Elkmont, Alabama, to be closer to her grandchildren—something she considered one of the happiest chapters of her life. However, the move never diminished her love for the Georgia Bulldogs.

Cheryl shared a deep and enduring love with her husband, Ricky Head. Their marriage on August 7, 1986, was built on friendship, laughter, and unwavering support. To Cheryl, Ricky was not only her husband but her true partner in life, whether enjoying the outdoors or simply being at home with family.

As a mother, Cheryl was a constant source of strength for her son, David Head. She was immensely proud of him and remained one of his biggest supporters, always ready with guidance, encouragement, and unconditional love.

Cheryl was especially devoted to her grandchildren, who were the light of her life. Her love for them was boundless, and she poured her heart into being present, nurturing, and celebrating all that they were becoming.

In addition to her devotion to family, Cheryl dedicated 34 years of service to the State of Georgia, spending most of her career with the Department of Human Resources until she retired in June 2016. Then continuing to work part time with DBHDD and then with the Department of Public Health (DPH) where she continued working until her passing. Throughout her career in various financial offices, Cheryl was known for her integrity, quick action, and unwavering determination to help others. She was deeply respected by colleagues who knew they could always count on her, not only for answers, but for follow-through and genuine care. The friendships she formed at work became an extension of her family, and she will be greatly missed for both her professionalism and her kind, steady presence.

Cheryl played softball throughout her youth and continued well into adulthood. She also loved camping, boating, fishing, horseback riding, and spending time at the beach—often sharing these passions with family, including her niece, Melanie Brown, and family, whom she loved like a daughter.

Cheryl is survived by her beloved husband, Ricky Head; her son, David Head; her cherished grandchildren, Arabella Kaylynn Jones and Liam Ryker Head; and her loving nieces and nephews and all of their children.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her sisters, Patricia Groff, Dottie Bowen, and Donna Beaty.

Cheryl will be remembered for her loving heart, her devotion to family, and her steadfast commitment to helping others. Her legacy of love and service lives

on through the many lives she touched.

Tribute Wall

JF

“ Joy/John Statham and family purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Cheryl Facette Head.



Joy/John Statham and family - December 20, 2025 at 01:00 PM

MC

“ I met Cheryl when I worked at the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities. I really enjoyed working with her and we had great conversations. She was a wealth of knowledge which I used during my career with the State of Georgia. Cheryl you will truly be missed. My condolences goes out to the family.

Matt Carter - December 20, 2025 at 11:43 AM

GF

“ Cheryl was my best and worst influence while working at DBHDD. She was the best at showing me how to navigate PeopleSoft, office culture and sharing life experiences.

The worst influence in drinking Coca Cola's and eating Chicken wings for breakfast!!! You just could not resist joining her in eating them daily!!! As well as our shared love for Benihana's, which she had to have monthly before she moved to Alabama.

I will miss chatting with her and hearing all the stories about her camping trips and adventures to the lake with her grandbabies (she adored those grandbabies), niece, David and Ricky. Her hugs always filled you with a mama's love. You will be missed, and forever my Mama Cheryl.

Gail F

Gailanne Fraser - December 19, 2025 at 04:36 PM



“ Cheryl was one of my best friends that our friendship has lasted for over 40 years. We worked together in various capacities over the years. We could argue until the cows came home about many things but ALWAYS stayed friends and did not take it personally.

I will miss her on a daily basis. So hard to believe she is gone. I know after the last couple of months, that she would not want to have lived like that and is now free of the pain.

She was always so supportive of me and later my partner Michael. She will always be in my heart.

Rest in peace my beautiful friend.

John Sartain - December 19, 2025 at 02:32 PM

KP

Cheryl was a wonderful person. If she was in your life, you were lucky beyond measure. She was always kind and during my daughter's love affair with horses helped teach her how to ride and she guided us on rides. At work, she was always patient no matter the situation. I will miss Cheryl. Condolences to her family.

Kate Pfirman - December 19, 2025 at 04:43 PM

PS

We are so sorry to learn of Cheryl's passing. We had many years of friendship and good times when we all lived in Ellenwood . Ricky and David we will be praying for you and all your family . With much love , Pat and Larry Sims

Pat Sims - December 20, 2025 at 03:46 PM

GP

*I am so sorry to hear of Cheryl's passing. Cheryl was an excellent candidate when she first applied for the job at Department of Human Resources, now Department of Human Services. I was impressed with her then and I am still impressed with her. Cheryl was very smart and had a great personality. She deservedly had a successful career with state government and sincerely enjoyed helping others and solving problems. Cheryl will be missed by many. May she rest in peace. My prayers and condolences go out to David and Family.
Gwendolyn Porchea*

Gwendolyn Porchea - December 21, 2025 at 10:39 PM

AB

I am sorry to hear about the passing of Cheryl. Cheryl has been the life line of my career with Georgia Department of Public Health. I was introduced to Cheryl through Teams. She trained me on the Accounts Receivable posting entries. If there was an error, I would get a call from Cheryl. I would always say that she keeps me on the straight and narrow path of Accounts Receivable. I was impressed with her vast knowledge of DPH. One day she called, and the camera was on; this was I first time having face time through Teams. I looked a hot mess on that day, but; she was glad that we got to see each other face to face. Cheryl was always a blessing to me. I will missed Cheryl. To the Head Family, I am sorry for your lost. Just know that Cheryl is with the Lord and no more sick days.

Angela Brown

Angela Brown - December 23, 2025 at 03:44 PM