



Cheryle Ferch

February 28, 1936 - January 11, 2026

Cheryle J. Ferch, a sweet, loving, and kind-hearted lady who was deeply devoted to her family and community, passed away peacefully on Sunday, January 11, 2026, in her home. She was born on February 28, 1936, in Starke County to the late Charles and Lowaine (Miser) Stanton and was 89 years old at the time of her passing.

Cheryle was a retired bank teller with the former Hamlet State Bank, where she was known for her friendly smile and caring nature. On June 18, 1955, she married the love of her life, Luther Ferch, who preceded her in death.

Together they shared many years of love and companionship.

She was a faithful member of St. Matthew Lutheran Church and lived a life of service to others. Cheryle was especially proud of her many years serving the community as Starke County Treasurer. She also served on the Davis Township Advisory Board, was a member of Starke County Crime Stoppers, and was extremely active in the Democratic Party. Cheryle never met a stranger and was known for her gentle spirit, compassion, and willingness to help anyone in need.

Above all else, Cheryle cherished her family and the time spent with those she loved most.

She is survived by her son, Jan Ferch; her granddaughter, Autumn Ferch; and her sisters, Gloria (David) Stephani, Carla Eggert, and Margo (Ron) Martin.

She was preceded in death by her parents and her beloved husband, Luther.

Visitation will be held from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. CST on Friday, January 16, 2026,

at Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel. Funeral services will take place at 11:00 a.m. CST on Saturday, January 17, 2026, at St. Matthew Lutheran Church, with additional visitation one hour prior to the service at the church. Burial will follow in Fletcher Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to St. Matthew Lutheran Church.

Cemetery Details

Fletcher Cemetery

700 E County Road 700 N
Hamlet, IN 46532
(574) 315-0922

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 16. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Rannells Funeral Home - Hamlet Chapel
102 W. Davis Street
Hamlet, IN 46532
(574) 867-3321
rannellsfh@mchsi.com
<https://www.rannellsfuneralhome.com>

Visitation

JAN 17. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Matthew Lutheran Church
2 W Indiana Ave.
Hamlet, IN 46532

Funeral Service

JAN 17. 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Matthew Lutheran Church
2 W Indiana Ave.
Hamlet, IN 46532

Burial

JAN 17 (CT)

Fletcher Cemetery
700 E County Road 700 N
Hamlet, IN 46532
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Tribute Wall

MF

“ *Maria Mukwena - Ferch purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Cheryle Ferch.*



Maria Mukwena - Ferch - January 16 at 12:12 PM

MF

“ *Maria Mukwena - Ferch planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Cheryle Ferch.*

Maria Mukwena - Ferch - January 16 at 12:12 PM

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“ *We were always going over to Cheryle and Luther's house as kids, they were both so generous and sweet. I loved playing with their dog- Keely (I'm sure the spelling is off). Such a wonderful family, they will be missed.*

Maria Mukwena (Ferch) - January 15 at 12:07 PM

AF

“ *Annette, Michael and Cleo Ferch& family purchased the Enduring Grace for the family of Cheryle Ferch.*



Annette, Michael and Cleo Ferch& family - January 14 at 08:58 PM

DW

“ Darlene W. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Cheryle Ferch.

Darlene W. - January 14 at 06:01 PM

BA

“ My deepest sympathy to Jan and Autumn may Cheryl rest in peace in the arms of our Lord

Barb Abel - January 14 at 04:15 PM

BI

“ I could not have asked for a more sweet and kind grandmother for my daughter. Thank you for your kindness, guidance, and wisdom over the past 40 plus years. You were always the epitome of elegance, poise, class, and integrity and you were such an inspiration to me.

Miss you already, Maw Maw

Love, Willie

Billie - January 13 at 01:40 PM

DW

Jan, Autumn, and Billie

I send my deepest and most sincere condolences. May you find peace in the many cherished memories you carry and the love in your hearts.

Darlene Waite - January 13 at 07:29 PM

ML

RIP Cheryle.

Matthew & Christine Lotter - January 13 at 08:28 PM

DB

Sending our deepest sympathies. Dennis and Francie Beville

Dennis Beville - January 13 at 09:11 PM

BF

A great friend you we'll be missed , we have had so good times .

Beverly Fraine - January 14 at 04:14 PM

DJ

Jan and Autumn, what a gem she was. Luther and her were such a wonderful loving couple and she will be missed but we've missed her for a long time. Autumn, you were the apple of her eye. Diane and Don Johnson

Diane Johnson - January 15 at 10:01 AM

DM

She was a great lady she was always there to help

David Matthew - January 17 at 09:49 AM