

Cherril Lynn Threte was born an only child to Isaac and Mary Threte in Indianapolis, IN. She is a Butler Tarkington kid who grew up in a neighborhood of diversity and attended elementary school Dewitt Morgan School 86, she graduated from Shortridge High School studying Language and Literature in The School of Performing Arts and Spanish. Cherril earned her bachelor's in journalism with a second major in Spanish from The Ohio State University Columbus, Ohio. Cherril has a desire to serve others. August 30, 2019, she retired from State Farm Insurance after 34 ½ years of service. Cherril spent the majority of her State Farm career as an Auto Claims Specialist. She helped life go right for her internal and external customers displaying empathy and professionalism with a strong customer focus. Cherril also served in positions at State Farm as a Public Affairs Media Specialist, and Underwriter in Homeowners.

Cherril's positive attitude and strong customer service skills transferred to her desire and passion as a Paid UP for Life Member of the American Legion Auxiliary. Cherril gained her eligibility through her deceased father Isaac Threte Jr an Air Force Veteran during the Vietnam era and Legionnaire as well as her grandfather the late Isaac Threte Sr a World War 1 Army veteran. Cherril has honored the service of her father and veterans through her volunteerism as a 23-year member of American Legion Auxiliary Tillman H. Harpole Unit 249. Cherril sets high standards and values emphasizing the importance of the American Legion Auxiliary programs as well as the betterment for our veterans, community, state and nation.

Cherril is also active in Marion County Salon 126 8 & 40, Amvets 99, The Indianapolis Recorder Women's Auxiliary and Gamma Phi Delta Sorority, Inc. She is a member of the VFW Auxiliary, Order of the Eastern Star Union Chapter 1 and Daughters of Persian Court 24.

Cherril enjoys spending time with family and friends as well as travel, theater, movies, attending Indianapolis Colts Game and she bleeds Scarlet and Gray as a true The Ohio State Buckeye Fan.

Cherril emphasizes "Service not Self" and as Department President she looks forward to helping the Department of Indiana enhance the lives of our veterans, families, and their communities. Her theme for 2023-2024 is Lights, Camera, Action: Starring Veterans.