Cheryl Duck -Murder

Saturday, December 5, 1987

At about 9:30 am, on Saturday, December 5th, 1987 the body of 15-year old Cheryl Duck was found in a field between Leila and Templeton streets, about 450 meters due north of the last house off Dunham Street. This area is about 9 kilometers from where Cheryl was living at the time.

Cheryl was found lying face down by a youth driving his all-terrain vehicle in the field. She had multiple injuries to her face and body and her front teeth were broken. These injuries by themselves may not have been enough to cause death, however, they were a contributing factor. It appears she had been left alive but, due to the cold December weather, hypothermia was also a factor.

Cheryl's whereabouts the night before is not known with precision. It is possible she was picked up by someone in the downtown area of Winnipeg and she may have attended a party on Leila Avenue. The suspect likely had a vehicle at their disposal.

As the area where Cheryl was found was undeveloped at the time (near Massalia and Thorn Drives today) knowing the location may assist in identifying the killer (i.e. they lived/worked nearby, knew other people in the area, or took people to this area in the past). Several biological samples from which DNA profiles were developed, were recovered from the area and may hold a clue to the suspect's identity.

Cheryl was one of 14 children. She was survived by her parents, ten sisters and three brothers. Her family was from Bloodvein First Nation, where Cheryl was interred.

