Tschirhart, Marlene

Marlene J. Tschirhart, 46, of Port Hope passed away Monday, May 6, 2002, at her home with hospice care following a vear-long illness. Born in Bad Axe on June 28,1955, she was the daughter of Albert Thoms and the late Doris (Gover) Thoms. Marlene was a graduate of Harbor Beach Schools and Michigan State University, earning her master's degree in social work. She was a former employee of Huron Behavioral Health in Bad Axe and a current employee of the Huron Intermediate School District, working in the schools of Huron County. Edward Tschirhart and Marlene were united in marriage on June 20, 1981, in Port Hope. She was an active member of Zion Lutheran Church in Harbor Beach, being a former school board member and library board member. Marlene was active with Special Olympics and soccer. She also was former 4-H leader. Marlene is survived by her husband, Edward Tschirhart of Port Hope; sons Michael and Joshua Tschirhart, both of Port Hope; three brothers, Carl Thoms and his wife, Colleen, of Bad Axe, Alan Thoms and his wife, Kathy, of Page, Ariz., and Leo Thoms and his wife, Lynne, of Hillsboro, Ill.; two sisters, Judith Devereaux and her husband, Jim, of Cadillac and Shirley Tautolo and her husband, Pelly, of Lincoln Park; her father and stepmother, Albert and Dorothy Thoms of Port Hope; a stepbrother, Warren Stoeckle and his wife, Jan, of Bay Port; two stepsisters, Sandra Schuette and her husband, Ernest, and Karen Shuler, both of Holt; and several nieces, nephews, aunts and uncles. Funeral services will take place at 11 a.m. Thursday, May 9, 2002, at Zion Lutheran Church in Harbor Beach with the Rev. Mark Girardin and the Rev. Richard Wilson officiating. Burial will be in the Forest Bay Cemetery in Harbor Beach. A scripture service will take place at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday in Ramsey Funeral Home in Harbor Beach. Visitation will be 6 to 9 p.m. this evening and 1 to 5 p.m. and 6 to 9 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home and from 10 a.m. until the time of services Thursday at the church. Memorials may be given to Special Olympics or Zion Lutheran School.