

**Carson, Merl L.**

Merl L. "Butch" Carson, 68, of Bad Axe, passed away on Monday, May 8, 2006, at Huron Medical Center in Bad Axe. He was born on July 12, 1937 in Bad Axe, son of the late Walter and Frieda (Klinefelt) Carson. He married Leona Jaworski on September 1958 in Pontiac. He was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Bad Axe. He was retired from Thumb Tool in Bad Axe and enjoyed hand held games and collecting Hot Wheels. He is survived by his wife, Leona Carson, of Bad Axe; one son, Jeff (Cindy) Carson, of Bad Axe; one daughter, Cheryl (Clifford) Schultz, of Bad Axe; one brother, Edward (Janice) Carson, of Bad Axe; one sister, Phyllis Jaworski, of Bad Axe; four grandchildren, Rebecca (Greg) Braun, Raeann Carson, Traci Carson, and Aaron Schultz, all of Bad Axe; one great-granddaughter, Jalyn Nicole Braun, of Bad Axe; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by one son, Scott Carson; and one brother, Willis Carson. Services will be conducted at 11 a.m. on Thursday, May 11, 2006, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Bad Axe. Officiating will be Fr. James Carlson, pastor. Burial will be in the church cemetery. Visitation will be from 1 to 9 p.m. today at Kaufman Funeral Home in Bad Axe and from 10 a.m. until the time of the service at 11 a.m. on Thursday at the church. A scripture service will be offered at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday at the funeral home.