**Gary Earl Bucholtz**, age 58, resident of Port Hope, passed away November 29, 2011. He was born October 2, 1953 in Port Huron to the late Emil and Bessie (Smith) Bucholtz.

Gary was united in marriage on September 26, 2003 to the late Rhonda Tinsey.

He enjoyed woodworking, fishing and working on tractors. He has been employed at Valley Enterprises, in Ubly. He worked as a police officer for Caseville and then was employed by the Bad Axe City Police Department and was appointed Chief of Police for ten years.

He is survived by his daughter, Alexis Bucholtz of Port Hope, step-children, Rachael Tinsey of Port Austin, Dale Johnson, Jr. of Port Hope and Cody Johnson of Sandusky; his brothers, Gene (Penny) Bucholtz of Harbor Beach and Robert (Denise) Bucholtz of Harbor Beach; his sisters, Mary Lou (Elwin) Koth of Filion and Linda (Milt) Iseler of Port Austin; a step-grandson, Garbiel McDonald and several nieces and nephews.

Gary was preceded in death by a brother, Wilford "Butch" Bucholtz.

A memorial service will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Sunday, December 11, 2011 at MacAlpine Mac Chapel, Bad Axe. A gathering will be from 12:00 noon until time of service at the Chapel.