

**Simmet, Patrick J.**

Patrick J. Simmet, 45, of Freeland and formerly of Sebewaing, died Friday, Jan. 8, 2010 at St. Mary's of Michigan in Saginaw following a lifelong battle with diabetes.

He was born Feb. 28, 1964 in Bay City, son of James L. and Shirley M. (Bachman) Simmet.

He was a 1982 graduate of Unionville-Sebewaing Area High School.

He had been employed at Gettel Motors in Sebewaing, then worked in Grand Rapids before moving back and working at Dave's Collision in Unionville before retiring 15 years ago due to illness.

He was a member of Immanuel Lutheran Church in Sebewaing.

Pat enjoyed tinkering with cars in his garage, NASCAR, car shows and woodworking.

Surviving are his parents, Jim and Shirley Simmet of Sebewaing; one brother, David and Heather Simmet of Grosse Pointe Park; grandmothers, May Bachman of Sebewaing and Hilda and Norman Ewald of Unionville; two nephews, Zachary and Joshua; one niece, Sarah; also two aunts, one uncle, Sandra Reinhold of Bay City, Sylvia and Gene Honey of Riverview, Phil and Sandy Bachman of Fort Myers, Fla., Wilma and Bailey.

A memorial service will take place at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 13, 2010 at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Sebewaing. The Rev. Daniel Hahn will officiate. Burial will take place later in Silverlawn Cemetery. Cremation has taken place.

The family will accept friends at the church from 10 a.m. Wednesday until the time of service.

Those planning an expression of sympathy are asked to consider the Family Discretionary Fund or Immanuel Lutheran Church.

Arrangements are being handled by the Dinkel-Juengel Funeral Home in Sebewaing.