

# Memorial Ride for Open Roads ABATE Member



A ride in memory of Steve Gaw, a 25 year Open Roads ABATE member whom passed away from cancer last November. Steve was an active member in the chapter participating in rides, car shows, Summer Book committee, motorcycle awareness, windshield washing, downed rider program, and was road captain during the last year. The ride took place on Saturday, June 8, starting with family members and members from Open Roads meeting for breakfast at Star 34 in Sandwich.

A ceremony in memory of Steve took place; a patch was given to all participating family and ABATE members and a plaque was dedicated in Steve's memory by his family. Many people spoke how they remembered Steve. The group then rode to some of Steve's favorite places in Troy Grove, Ladd, Mendota, Wyandot, Ohio, and then met at the Feed Store in Malden for supper (a top favorite of Steve's).

**Pictured** front row: Sally Kolb, Steve's niece Charlie McCannon, Steve's sister Susan McCannon with plaque, Steve's cousin Bryan Needham, Beth Fannin, Judy Busch, Kevin and Barb Rife, Cherie Mauer, and Cliff Oleson; back row: Kevin and Patti Smith, Bill Kolb, Frank Lorang, Larry and Merrie Zastresek, Mitch Busch, Bob Mauer, Henry Herbst, and John Niles.