Officer John K. Gunsell



Age 43, of Gaylord, died Sunday, September 12, 2004 due to injuries sustained in an auto accident, while on duty with the Otsego County Sheriff's Department.

He was born December 2, 1960 in Detroit. He was a 1979 graduate of Unionville-Sebewaing Area High School. John then attended Delta College and Oakland University where he received his deputy training.

He was employed with the Caseville Police Department for 12 years and has been an officer with the Otsego County Sheriff s Department since 1999. While living in Caseville he was also a firefighter and received recognition as "Firefighter of the Year". John enjoyed hunting, fishing and will be remembered for his lively sense of humor.

Surviving are his children, Karissa, Joshua, Jordan and Levi; the mother of his children; Kelly Gunsell, Gaylord; his parents, Gerald and June Gunsell, Sebewaing; one brother, Gerald "Butch" Gunsell, Sebewaing; maternal grandmother, Emma Stark, Sebewaing; aunts

and uncles, Vivian Horst, Susan Gunsell; Maude Haag; Frank (Barb) Gunsell; Geri Loncar, all of Sebewaing; Donna Gunsell, Owendale; Janet Loncar, Venice, FL; Darlene (Richard) Lefler, Auburn Hills; many cousins; nephew and niece, Evean and Marlee Gunsell.

He was preceded in death by his maternal grandfather, John Stark, and paternal grandparents, Frank and Elsie Gunsell.

The funeral service will take place at 1 p.m. Saturday at Trinity United Methodist Church in Sebewaing. Rev. Arthur Stone will officiate with burial in Silverlawn Cemetery in Sebewaing.

Those planning an expression of sympathy are asked to consider the Gunsell Children Memorial Fund.