

Ciesielski, James

James A. Ciesielski, 55, of Bay Port, died Saturday morning, February 28, 2004, at Scheurer Hospital, Pigeon. He was born September 19, 1948 in Detroit to Mary Ann (Antczak) Ciesielski and the late Henry Ciesielski. He moved with his family in his youth to Bad Axe graduating from Bad Axe High School in 1967. Shortly after graduation, he was inducted into the U.S. Navy, serving on the USS Wainwright during the Vietnam War. He returned home in June of 1970, where he met Barbara J. Nickerson. They were united in marriage on March 25, 1972 in Caro. Jim was employed at several small shops including Active Industries before taking a position as custodian at Elkton-Pigeon-Bay Port Schools, retiring in 2003 for health reasons after 18 years of service. He was an avid golfer, a former active member of the Elkton Jaycees and enjoyed spending time with his family. Surviving are his wife, Barb; one son, Chris, of Bay Port; a daughter, Kari, at home; his mother, Mary Ann Porritt, of Marshfield, Wisconsin; brother, Henry Ciesielski and his wife, Jan, of Cass City; two sisters, Valerie Niziolek and her husband, Gary, of Marshfield, Wisconsin, and Sally Steel, of Plymouth; and many nieces and nephews. Funeral services will be conducted at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, March 3, 2004, at the Champagne Funeral Chapel, Elkton. Visitation will be from 2 to 9 p.m. on Tuesday and after 10 a.m. on Wednesday. Memorials may be directed to the family. Friends may sign the guest book at www.CFCelkton.com.