

### **Schott, Richard E.**

Richard E. Schott, 67, of Plymouth and previously of Bad Axe, passed away Tuesday, Sept. 17, 2002, at Angela Hospice in Livonia. Dick Schott was a resident of Plymouth for the past 14 years. He previously lived in Livonia and the Lansing area. He graduated from Kinde High School and obtained a bachelor of arts degree from Michigan State University. He worked for many years at State Farm Insurance, rising to the position of Divisional Claims Superintendent. He retired in 1998. He served in the U.S. Army during the Korean Conflict, attaining the rank of sergeant. Among his many hobbies, he practiced photography, and over the years he had earned many awards for his technique, including awards for hand-colored black and white prints. Recently, he received a first place in the beginning class from the Livonia Camera Club. His print was also voted "Photo of the Year" for the 2001-2002 season. Dick also enjoyed fly fishing and was a member of the Michigan Fly Fishing Club. He served as an usher at St. Edith Catholic Church. He also enjoyed cooking and sailing in his earlier years. He belonged to several insurance organizations and was highly respected by all who knew and worked with him. Dick was a devoted and tremendous husband for 41 years to Sharon "Cheri", and raised three very successful, educated, and devoted children. He valued his family ties and wrote family histories for both sides of his family. He is survived by his wife, Sharon, of Plymouth; daughter, Cynthia Thomason and her husband, Kevin, of Kalamazoo; sons Edward Schott and his wife, Vicky, of Holland, and Matthew Schott and his wife, Patty, of Kalamazoo; five grandchildren. He is predeceased by his parents, Edward and Lottie Schott. The funeral service was held September 21 at St. Edith Catholic Church. Burial was in Parkview Memorial Cemetery in Livonia. Memorials are requested to Angela Hospice, 14100 Newburg Road, Livonia, MI 48154-5010.