

Uhl, John J.

Mr. John Joseph Uhl, 54, of Minden City, died Tuesday, Feb. 19, 2008 at his home after a long illness.

John was born Sept. 12, 1953 in Sandusky, son of Dorothy (Messing) Uhl and the late Earl Uhl. He married Carolyn Kranz May 15, 1976 at Our Lady of Lake Huron Catholic Church in Harbor Beach.

John was a graduate of Ugly Community Schools and a lifelong parishioner of Ss. Peter and Paul Catholic Church in Ruth. He worked for Active-Tower Automotive for 28 years and also was employed at Deckerville Plastics, Dott Manufacturing and the House of Knowledge.

John was a former member of the Ugly Fox Hunters Club and a past member of the Sanilac Sheriff Posse. He was a 4-H Swine Leader, member of the House of Knowledge Pool League teams, substitute for the dart league, bowled on the men's and mixed league at Gillis in Minden City, and played on the former Double D softball team. John was a member of A.B.A.T.E. — American Bikers Aiming Toward Education. He loved NASCAR, playing cards, dice and enjoyed spending time with his grandkids, family and friends.

He is survived by his wife, Carolyn Uhl of Minden City; two sons, Cpl. Robert Uhl and his wife, Melinda, of Virginia Beach, Sgt. Joseph Uhl and his wife, Holly, of California; two grandchildren, Mackenzie and Jeremy of Virginia Beach; his mother, Dorothy Uhl of Minden City; one sister, Kathy Gwisdalla of Cass City; one brother, Gary Uhl of Minden City; mother-in-law, Dolores Kranz of Harbor Beach; brother-in-law, Bill Kranz and his wife, Carol of Warren; two sisters-in-law, Linda Harbin and her husband, Michael of Harbor Beach, Denise Volmering and her husband, Jim, of Arizona; two god children; and many aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews. He will leave behind many more good friends and relatives.

John was preceded in death by his father, Earl; daughter, Anita Marie Uhl; and father-in-law, Melvin Kranz.

Funeral services for John will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 27, 2008 at the Smigielski Funeral Home, Cass Avenue in Minden City. The Rev. Robert Pare, pastor, of Ss. Peter and Paul Catholic Church in Ruth, will officiate.

Visitation will be from 1 to 9 p.m. Tuesday and from 10 a.m. until the service time at 11 a.m. Wednesday at the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers donations can be made to the American Red Cross, American Cancer Society or to the family.