

### **Piazza, Barbara**

Mrs. Barbara (Gillis) Piazza, 59, of Mt. Morris, passed away Friday, August 19, 2005, at Hurley Medical Center in Flint. Barbara was born January 3, 1946 in Deckerville, daughter of the late John and Ila (Noble) Gillis. She married Jerry Piazza in November of 1996. She was an avid NASCAR fan and a very loving wife, mother and grandmother. Left to cherish her memory are her husband, Jerry, of Mt. Morris; five sons, Michael Kowalski and his wife, Lucinda, of Seattle, Greg Kowalski and his wife, Tara, of Flint, Steve Sobczak, of Wellborn, Florida, Terry Piazza, of Desert Hot Springs, California, Tracy Piazza, of Mt. Morris; one daughter, Tricia Piazza, of Bitely; 11 grandchildren; six sisters, Mary Hassler and her husband, Don, of Waterford, Marge Bennett and her husband, Leo "Buzz", of Harbor Beach, Lou Ann Reinelt and her husband, Bob, of Snover, Sheila Edwards and her husband, Ben, of Bad Axe, Lisa Bischer and her husband, Paul, of Holly, Laura Klee and her husband, Tim, of Ubly; four brothers, John Gillis Jr., of Bay City, Jerry Gillis, of Deckerville, Jim Gillis, of Minden City, Joe Gillis and his wife, Carie, of Sandusky; and many nieces and nephews. Barbara was preceded in death by her parents and son, Jeff Kowalski. A funeral service will be conducted at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, August 23, 2005, at the Miles Martin Funeral Home in Mt. Morris. Burial will be in the Crestwood Cemetery in Mt. Morris. Visitation will be from 4 to 9 p.m. today, 10 a.m. to noon and 1 to 9 p.m. on Monday, and 8 a.m. until the time of service on Tuesday at the funeral home. Memorials may be directed to the Family Discretionary Fund. Local information provided by the Zinger-Smigielski Funeral home of Ubly.