

**Mitchell, Francis L.**

Francis L. "Frank" Mitchell, 65, of Bay City, died Friday, April 14, 2006, at the home of his brother, Ed, in Gagetown following a 1 1/2 year illness. He was born May 12, 1940 in Huron County, son of the late Lloyd and Genevieve (Santhony) Mitchell. He was married to Sharon Lea Carr on November 5, 1977 in Owendale. Frank had been employed as a truck driver for Tandem Transport for several years. He enjoyed NASCAR, euchre, and especially all of his friends. Surviving are his wife, Sharon, of Grayling; children, Shannon (Renee) Mitchell, Sean Mitchell, all of Traverse City, Misty Cummings, of Grayling, Ashlea Mitchell, of St. Helen, and Shaun Schaper, of Minnesota; six grandchildren; one brother, Edward (Sue) Mitchell, of Gagetown; two sisters, Ellen Chiotti, of Swartz Creek, and Shirley Nutt, of Sanford; several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by infant daughter, Brenda. The funeral service will take place at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, April 18, 2006, at the Dinkel-Juengel Funeral Home in Sebawaing. The Rev. John Heim will officiate with burial in Grant Township Cemetery near Gagetown. Visitation will be from 6 to 9 p.m. today and from 9 a.m. until the time of the service on Tuesday at the funeral home. Those planning and expression of sympathy are asked to consider Heartland Hospice.