

## **Roberts, Laurie**

Laurie Ann Roberts, 40, of Palms, died Saturday morning, April 17, 2004, at her home under hospice care after a long illness. She was born August 19, 1963 in Detroit, daughter of Jeanette (Gardula) Fletcher and the late Norman Fletcher. She married Thomas Roberts on November 26, 1988 at St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Palms. Laurie was a graduate of Deckerville High School. She received a bachelors of education from Saginaw Valley State University and an associates degree in criminal justice from St. Clair Community College. Laurie was a high school English teacher. Laurie played college basketball and coached basketball at Houghton Lake High School from 1995 to 2000 and also coached basketball at Deckerville High School. She loved playing sports and reading. She was active in the ADAPT program in Sandusky. She is survived by her husband, Thomas Roberts, of Palms; one daughter, Celsey J. Roberts, of Palms; mother, Jeanette Fletcher, of Houghton Lake; brother, Paul Fletcher and his wife, Toni, of Lexington, Kentucky; mother-in-law, Mavis Roberts, of Deckerville; brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law, Betty and Jim Bush, of Frankenmuth, Doris and Joe Henige, of California, Sr. Rose Roberts, S.S.J., of Kalamazoo, Fred and Delores Roberts, of Deckerville, Mark and Patty Roberts, of Deckerville, Gerald and Debbi Roberts, of Frankenmuth, Marie and Tim Graham, of Spring Lake, Joe and Debbie Roberts, of Eaton Rapids and John Roberts, of Deckerville; and many aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews. A memorial funeral mass will be at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, April 20, 2004, at St. Patrick Catholic Church in Palms. The Rev. Steven Gavit, pastor of Ss. Peter and Paul Catholic Church in Ruth, and Sr. Betty Zeestraten, pastoral administrator of St. Patricks Catholic Church in Palms, will officiate. Visitation will be from 10 a.m. until the service time at 11 a.m. on Tuesday at the church. Memorials may be made to the family discretionary fund.