

**Bailey, Donald J.**

Donald James Bailey, 72, of Colfax Township, passed away at his home on Sunday, December 11, 2005. He was born May 12, 1933 in Bad Axe to the late Orville and Osie (McAlpine) Bailey. He was united in marriage on January 12, 1963 to Sharon Briesmiester. Mr. Bailey was employed as a maintenance man at Colfax Cemetery. He also worked for the B.N.G. Pickle Plant and the Ford Garage of Bad Axe. He served in the U.S. Army. He was a member of Ducks Unlimited, National Rifle Association, and former member of the Conservation Club of Port Austin. He enjoyed doing outside activities, fishing, hunting, overhauling things, spending time with his grandchildren, family, and friends, and he loved to make people laugh. Surviving are his wife, Sharon, of Bad Axe; three sons, Greg Bailey and his wife, Joann, of Bad Axe, Gary Bailey and his wife, Hope, of Bad Axe, Mike Bailey and his wife, Trina, of Harbor Beach; two daughters, Karen Dufty and her husband, Chris, of Bay Port, Pamela Maurer and her husband, Vincent, of Elkton; 13 grandchildren, Cindy, Charles, and Catrina Dufty, all of Bay Port, Nicole and Brittany Bailey, of Bad Axe, Jamie, Ashley, Justina, Zachary and Breanna Maurer, of Elkton, Treasure and Arthur Wrouble, of Harbor Beach and Cody Bailey, of Bad Axe; two sisters, Irene Bailey, of Sebawaing, and Joyce Bosley, of Saginaw; three brothers, Dennis Bailey and his wife, Sandra, of Pigeon, Bob Bailey and his wife, Jean, of Bad Axe, and Orville Bailey, of Bad Axe; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by one son, Nelson Bailey; two sisters; and two brothers. Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, December 14, 2005, at the MacAlpine Funeral Home in Bad Axe. Pastor Bill Thorn will officiate. Visitation will be from 2 to 9 p.m. today and from 10 to 11 a.m. on Wednesday at the funeral home.