

Randy J. Rice, 53, resident of Kinde, passed away suddenly Tuesday, July 17, 2012, at the University of Michigan Hospital in Ann Arbor.

He was born Oct. 26, 1958, at Hubbard Hospital in Bad Axe, to the late Valentine and Bernice (Koroleski) Rice.

Randy was united in marriage on July 12, 1997, to Marilyn Osentoski at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Dwight.

He was a 1976 graduate of North Huron/Kinde High School. Randy was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Dwight and a member of the Knights of Columbus No. 1546 in Bad Axe. He was employed at the Huron County Road Commission as a truck driver and was a volunteer firefighter for the Kinde Fire Department. Randy loved to work on the family farm with his two brothers, Ricky and Arnold. He had a passion for fixing things up, as well as going to auctions and garage sales. He also enjoyed going to casinos, taking annual trips to various farm shows with family and friends. He was an avid gardener and enjoyed mowing lawn, (you wouldn't see a straighter lawn).

He was a Detroit Tigers and Lions fan. The one thing Randy loved to do the most every week was to listen to polka music and taking his two favorite women, Marilyn and Jackie (his beloved dog), for a ride.

Randy is survived by his wife, Marilyn, of 15 years and his dog, Jackie; four brothers, Gerald (Lorraine) Rice of Port Austin, Don (Denise) Rice of Fillion, Arnold Rice of Kinde and twin brother Ricky (Kim) Rice of Kinde; two sisters, Patricia Drews of Fillion and Marge Szymanski of Port Austin; one sister-in-law, Pat (Rice) Kretchman of Kinde; mother-in-law, Loreane Holz of Bad Axe; two brother-in-laws, Marvin (Amy) Osentoski of Bad Axe and Duane Osentoski, San Diego, Calif.; sister-in-law, Sharon Epperson of Bad Axe, step-brother-in-law, Duey (Karen) Holz of Fillion; step-sister-in-law, Janet Holz of Newberry; and many nieces, nephews, cousins, family members and friends.

Randy was preceded in death by his parents, Valentine and Bernice Rice; brother, Walter Rice; two brothers-in-law, Don Drews and George Szymanski; and father-in-law Duey Holz, Sr.

Mass of Christian Burial by Father Andy Booms will be conducted at 11 a.m. Saturday at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Dwight.

Visitation will take place on from 2 to 8 p.m. Friday at the MacAlpine Funeral Home-Gage Chapel in Kinde, with Fireman Memorial at 6:30 p.m., and from 9 to 10:30 a.m. Saturday at the funeral home.

Memorials may be offered to the Kinde Area Fire Department or the family discretionary fund.