

Cantrell, Matthew

Matthew B. Cantrell, 42, of Gobles, following a lengthy illness, chose to join his son Lawrence in the presence of his Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, on Thursday, Feb. 14, 2002, at the Allegan General Hospital. Matthew was born Feb. 18, 1959, in Flint, son of James and Nora (Carson) Cantrell. Surviving are his wife, Sheila (Fitch), whom he married on Feb. 21, 1982; two children, John Cantrell and his wife, Amy, of Gobles and Janet Larabell and her husband, Chris, of Mayville; one grandson, Christopher; one brother, Barry Cantrell and his wife, Debra, of Allegan; two sisters, Kathy Adkins of Florida and Nancy Cantrell of Flint; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents; and one son, Lawrence, in 1997. Funeral services will take place at 11 a.m. Monday, Feb. 18, 2002, at the Gorden Funeral Residence, Allegan Chapel, with the Rev. Barry Cantrell officiating. Cremation will follow with burial of cremains placed on his son's grave at Mallory Cemetery, Trowbridge Township. Visitation will be 2 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m. today at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to the Allegan Chapter of the American Red Cross or Wings of Hope Hospice, Allegan County.