## RODNEY DALE WERTZ

## 1968 - 1986

Rodney D. Wertz, age 17, of Bay Port, passed away

Monday, April 21.

He was born September 6, 1968, son of R. Dale and Floris J. (Knechtel) Wertz, in Bad Axe. He was a member of Salem United Methodist Church, Pigeon, a senior at Laker High School, a member of the National Honor Society, the Laker High School Band, Laker Varsity Tennis Team, Laker Varsity Golf Team and was active in Bluewater Youth for Christ and its Cornerstone singing group.

Rodney is survived by his parents, R. Dale and Floris, Bay Port; two brothers, Bryan T. and Kendall J., at home; maternal grandparents, Clarence and Adina Knechtel of Elkton; paternal grandmother, Mrs. Orpha Wertz, Pigeon; maternal great grandmother, Mrs. Cora Wing, Sebewaing; and several aunts, uncles and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his grandfather, Joseph

L. Wertz, on March 12, 1984.

Funeral services will be conducted from Salem United Methodist Church, Pigeon, on Thursday, April 24, at 11:00 a.m. Revs. Kent Fishel, Mark Karls and Luke Yoder will officiate with burial in Grandlawn Cemetery, Pigeon.