

### **Tomlinson, Leroy**

Leroy Tomlinson, 70, of Kinde, passed away at his home Friday, Jan. 29, 2010 with family by his side.

He was born April 1, 1939 in Hume Township to the late Roy and Virginia (Blaine) Tomlinson. He was united in marriage to Mary Philp, who was fatality injured in an automobile accident in 1973. He then married Doreen McCormick.

Leroy farmed in Meade and Hume Townships and started a farm equipment business and continued until 1975 when they moved to Marlette. Leroy, Doreen and their son, John became owners of John and Leroy Tomlinson Farm Equipment.

Leroy and Doreen moved back to Kinde in 2001. He never watched a ball game and never participated in any sports, he enjoyed antique tractor shows and tractor pulling with his wife and son John. The three of them were always seen together. He was a member of the Bad Axe Free Methodist Church. He loved collie dogs and took his Dolly with him everywhere he went.

He is survived by his wife of 36 years, Doreen; one son, John Tomlinson of Marlette; three daughters, Virginia (Dan) Barker of North Carolina, Linda Ferguson and Cathy Tomlinson of Bay City; four grandchildren, Rebecca and Zachary Barker and Emily and Hanna Ferguson.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. on Monday, at the Bad Axe Free Methodist Church with the Rev. Jerry Sutton, officiating. Burial will be at New River Cemetery.

Visitation will be from 7 to 9 p.m. Saturday and from 1 to 9 p.m. Sunday at MacAlpine Funeral Home, Bad Axe and at 10 a.m. until time of service Monday at the church.

In lieu of flowers memorials may be offered to the New River Cemetery Tomlinson Chapel Fund.