

# MATTHEW DAVID SOPER

1981 - 1999

Matthew D. Soper, age 17, a Junior at Owen-Gage High School, died Thursday afternoon, October 28, in an auto accident near Owendale.

He was born on Christmas Day in 1981 to Denise Collins and the late Melvin Soper. He preceded him in death July 19, 1994.

Matt lived in the Pigeon area most of his life and attended Laker High School where he had been on the wrestling team and was active in school activities. This fall he started school at Owen-Gage High School and the Huron Area Tech Center with a curriculum in business and computers.

He attend the Agape Christian Center in Elkton, enjoyed music and fishing, was very active in the Youth group at the Pigeon River Mennonite Church and Youth for Christ.

Surviving are his mother and step-father, Denise and Randy Radabaugh of Owendale; his brothers and sisters, Michael, Randi, Joshua and Jillyn; his maternal grandfather, Dennis Collins of Flushing; his paternal grandmother, Ida Soper of Bad Axe; his stepgrandparents, Paul and Dorothy Radabaugh of Owendale and his maternal great grandmother, Violet Champagne, his aunts, uncles and many cousins.

Preceding him in death were his grandmother, Marie Fern Champagne and his grandfather, Arthur Soper.

Funeral services will be conducted 11:00 AM Monday, November 1, at the Pigeon River Mennonite Church with burial next to his grandmother, in St. Felix Catholic Cemetery, Pinnebog.

Memorials may be given to Bay Shore Camp  
or Pigeon River Youth Group  
*Champagne Funeral Chapel, Elkton*