Taschner, Frank A.

Frank A. Taschner, 60, of Traverse City, died unexpectedly early Monday morning, September 18, 2006, at Munson Medical Center in Traverse City.   He was born December 11, 1945 in Pigeon, son of Sally Ezar (Jones) Taschner and the late Frank A. Taschner.   He was a 1964 graduate of Sebewaing High School and continued his studies, earning a degree in engineering.   He served our country as a member of the U.S. Army for a two-year commitment based in Europe.   He was united in marriage to Lucy Gonzag at St. Francis Catholic Church in Traverse City on October 12, 1996.   Frank was employed by Verstand Engineering, Inc. in Traverse City.   He was a member of St. Francis Catholic Church.   He enjoyed bowling on leagues at Timberlane and was an avid music lover. He also enjoyed fishing and hunting small game but thoroughly enjoyed working in his yard.   Surviving are his wife, Lucy, of Traverse City; daughter, Jolene Taschner, of Chicago; mother, Sally Taschner, of Sebewaing; brothers, John (Peggy) Taschner, of Sebewaing, Donald (Michelle) Taschner, of Madison, Alabama, Robert (Mary) Taschner, of Prince George, British Columbia; sisters, Nancy Shuette, of Pigeon, Pearl Fitzpatrick, of Junction City, Kansas, Julia (Edward) Crawford, of Jacksonville, Florida; brother-in-law, Pete Merchberger, of Barbeau; and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by one sister, Maebelle Merchberger, and one brother-in-law, Elmer Shuette.   Mass of Christian Burial will take place at noon on Wednesday, September 20, 2006, at St. Francis Catholic Church in Traverse City. Fr. Bill Lipscomb will officiate. Visitation will be from 5 to 8 p.m. today at Reynolds-Jonkhoff Funeral Home in Traverse City. There will be another visitation from 5 to 8 p.m. on Thursday with a scripture service to follow, led by Fr. John Weis, at the Dinkel-Juengel Funeral Home in Sebewaing. There will be a committal service at 11 a.m. on Friday at Holy Family Catholic Cemetery in Sebewaing.   Memorials may be made to the American Heart Association.