

Matthews, Kenneth

Kenneth Matthews, 57, of Lakeview, passed away Wednesday, March 10, 2004, at his home with his family at his side. Kenneth was born in Ypsilanti on May 17, 1947 to Leonard C. and Betty Jane Ordway Matthews. Kenneth was raised in the Mount Pleasant area and graduated from Mount Pleasant High School Class of 1965. In May of 1966, Kenneth enlisted in the U.S. Marine Corps, where as a motor vehicle operator, he was stationed in Vietnam for more than one year. He was employed as a crane operator and truck driver for General Motors at the metal fabrications plant in Flint for more than 31 years. On May 24, 1968, in Six Lakes, Ken married Linda Joyce Shelly, his wife of more than 18 years. Ken enjoyed farming, hunting, fishing, motorcycle riding, and traveling. Kenneth and Linda made their home in Cass City for 15 years before moving to the Lakeview area in 2001. Kenneth is survived by his wife, Linda; mother, Betty, of Owosso; three sons, Kenneth William Matthews and his wife, Jennifer Rose, of Clarkston, Curtis Ray Harju, of Middleton, and Brett Allen Matthews of Owosso; two daughters, Cynthia Ann Shivley and her husband, Michael Todd, of Cass City, and Christy Sue Matthews, of Indiana; seven grandchildren, Frank Clayton Abfalter, Cody James Harju, Christopher Allen Remsing, Aaryn Tyler Matthews, Megan Nichol Matthews, Christopher Fleming, and Kylee Fleming; two sisters, Kathy Jean and her husband, Victor Turk, and Linda Lou and her husband, Ed Neff. He was preceded in death by his father; and one brother, Leonard Charles Matthews. Funeral services for Kenneth will be at 11 a.m. on Saturday, March 13, 2004, at The Brigham Funeral Chapel in Six Lakes, with Pastor Buzz Stone officiating. Burial will be in the Elmwood Cemetery in Gagetown. Visitation will be from 2 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m. today at the funeral home. There also will be visitation from 5 to 8 p.m. on Saturday and from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Sunday at the Gagetown Funeral Chapel in Gagetown.