Gaines Sr., Laurence

Laurence "Larry" G. Gaines Sr., 53, of Owendale, died Tuesday, March 11, 2003, in Tendercare Nursing Facility in Cass City. He was born July 24, 1949 in Highland Park to Rayon and Emogene (Reese) Sullins. He married Jacqueline Case on Oct. 12, 1968 in Immaculate Conception Church in Detroit. They've lived in this area for 17 years. Larry worked as a dockman for Earl C. Smith Trucking Company for 28 1/2 years. He volunteered for the Family Independence Agency doing medical and juvenile transporting and also for the Huron County and Tuscola County sheriff departments transporting work details. Larry enjoyed camping and traveling. Larry is survived by his wife, Jackie; children, Denise Falbo and her husband, Frank, of East Pointe, Lisa Gaines of Sterling Heights, Laurence Gaines, Jr. and his fiance, Nichole Brown, of Bay City; grandchildren, Jacqueline Falbo and Vincente Falbo; mother, Emogene Sullins of Detroit; brothers, Ray Sullins and his wife, Lisa, of River Rouge, Dennis Sullins of Detroit; sisters, Barbara Hogston and her husband, Thurston, of Yale, Judy Gaines of Detroit, Janet Coffee and her husband, Gene, of Lincoln Park; several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his brothers, Michael Sullins and John Sullins; nephew, Mark Sullins; and father, Rayon Sullins. Memorial service will be conducted at noon on Saturday, March 15, 2003, at Kranz Funeral Home in Cass City with Pastor F. Robert Tucker of Potter's House Christian Fellowship Church officiating. Interment will take place at a later date. Visitation will be from 11 a.m. to noon on Saturday at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to the Family Discretionary Fund.