



Gerald A. Heppe

April 23, 1942 - November 2, 2006

Gerald A. Heppe 64, of Potterville, Michigan, died Thursday, November 2, 2006 at the Eaton Community Hospice House in Charlotte, after his battle with cancer, with his loving family at his side. Mr. Heppe was born April 23, 1942, in Ionia, Michigan, the son of Alvin John and Ida (Ketner) Heppe. He worked as a tool and die setter for General Motors for 33 years until his retirement in 1999. He had a great love of fishing, was a big Spartan's fan and was interested in Massey Harris tractors. He loved being with his kids and grandkids. He is survived by his wife, Yolanda (Perez) Heppe; son, Gerald Alvin Heppe II (Wendy) of Battle Creek and daughter, Melinda (Jeffrey) Wood of Charlotte; adopted daughter, Pilar (Andres) Gonzalez; grandchildren, Devon, Bailey, Diedrich and Marissa; mother, Ida Emerson; brothers and sisters, Sandi Long, Richard Perry, Russell Heppe, Janet Bowman and Lori Rolison. He was preceded in death by his father, mother-in-law, Hope Perez and stepfather, Robert Emerson. Funeral services will be Monday, November 6, 2006 at 11:00 a.m. at Pray Funeral Home in Charlotte, with Chaplain Don Sleeman officiating. Interment will be at West Windsor Cemetery in Dimondale, Michigan. Visitation will be 6-9 p.m. Saturday, November 4, 2006 and 2-4 p.m. and 6-9 p.m. Sunday, November 5, 2006. If desired, memorial contributions may be made to the Eaton Community Hospice House or the Breslin Cancer Center. Email condolences to the family of Gerald A. HeppeView memorial tribute.