



John Leroy Kaatz

December 17, 1944 - July 22, 2011

OBITUARY: John L. Kaatz, aged 66 of Fountain, passed away on Friday, July 22, 2011 at Mercy General Health Partners – Mercy Campus in Muskegon. John was born on December 17, 1944 in Ludington to John A. and Lillis J. (Pitcher) Kaatz, and graduated from Ludington High School with the class of 1962. In 1965 he married his high school sweetheart Joan Lake in Ludington, and they have celebrated 46 years together. John was a drywall installer and operated Ludington Drywall, recently known as Drywall by John for many years. When he wasn't working, you could usually find John on a boat fishing with friends, out in the woods hunting, or just relaxing at his home out in the country. He was preceded in death by his parents and his brother Richard Kaatz. John will be greatly missed by his wife Joan of Ludington, his daughter Michaele Kaatz of Ludington, his son Allen (Amanda) Kaatz of Middleville, his beloved granddaughters Heather and Allison, his sister Dawn (Robert) Lake of Scottville, and several nieces, nephews, and cousins. Funeral services will be held for John at 11:00 am on Tuesday, July 26 at the Bachelor Evangelical Covenant Church with his friend Rev. Norman Letsinger officiating. Burial will follow at Bachelor Cemetery. Friends may meet with his family for a time of visitation on Monday from 6:00 – 9:00 PM at the Stephens Funeral Home in Scottville. Those who wish to make a memorial contribution are asked to consider either the American Diabetes Association, or the American Heart Association.