March 8, 1949 - Dec. 10, 2012

Larry E. Betz, 63, of Delphos, passed away at 3:30 p.m. at St. Rita's Medical Center on Dec. 10, 2012.

He was born March 8, 1949, in Lima, Ohio to Byron Betz and Mary (Kramer) Lowe, who preceded him in death.

On Sept. 22, 1978, he married Laura (Metzger) Betz, who survives in Delphos.

Also surviving are 3 sons; Jason Betz of Lima, David (Mindi) Betz of Delphos and Michael Betz of Cincinnati; 4 daughters; Kelly Betz-Haggard of Delphos, Bobbi Betz of Lima, Jennifer (James) Betz-Grubb of Convoy and Nicole Betz of Delphos; 14 grandchildren, 1 great grandchild; step-mother Verno Betz of Adrian, MI and mother-in-law, Dorothy Miller of Delphos.

He was preceded in death by a son Larry Betz II.

Mr. Betz was a Correction Officer at Lima Correctional Facility. He then worked at TeleFlex.

Mr. Betz graduated from Columbus Grove in 1967. He loved to fish, enjoyed all types of sports and was an avid Bears and Ohio State fan. His true love was his family and grandchildren, for whom he took great pleasure in babysitting. He was a member of St. John's Catholic Church.

Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday at Delphos St. John's Catholic Church with Father Chris Bohnsack officiating. Burial will follow in Resurrection Cemetery.

Family and friends may call from 2-8 p.m. on Thursday at Harter and Schier Funeral Home. A wake service will be held at 7:30.

Memorial contributions can be made to St. John's Scholarship Fund, the American Diabetes Association or the American Heart Association.