



Joseph E. Cienciwa

March 15, 1954 - January 2, 2012

CHICOPEE--Joseph E. Cienciwa, 57, passed away peacefully on Monday, January 2, 2012 at Baystate Medical Center, with his loving family by his side. Born March 15, 1954, a son of the late Edwin J. and Louise (Karaskiewicz) Cienciwa, he lived in Chicopee for most of his life. Joseph was a graduate of Chicopee High School, Class of 1972 and a graduate of Western New England College with both Bachelors and Masters Degrees in Accounting. A communicant of the Basilica of St. Stanislaus, Bishop and Martyr, he worked as an accountant for the Pioneer Valley Planning Commission. Joseph was a member of the Board of Directors of Premier Source Credit Union and an avid Green Bay Packers fan. In the summer Joseph was the crew chief of the Late Model 49 Race Team and in the winter he could be found snowmobiling at the family cottage in Otis. Joseph is survived by his beloved wife of thirty-two years, Donna M. (Bober) Cienciwa; his loving son, Steven J. Cienciwa of Chicopee; his brother, Michael E. Cienciwa and his wife Laura of Wilbraham; mother-in-law, Mary Bober of Chicopee; sister-in-law, Ann Marie Rzeszutek and her husband Joseph of South Hadley; and nieces and nephews, godson David, Eric and Melanie Cienciwa, goddaughter Christina Sypek and her husband Craig and their children Ella and Caiden, Diana Civali and her husband James, and Lori Gould and her husband Sean and their children Taylor and Brooke. Funeral services will be held Friday at 9 AM from the Kozikowski Funeral Home, 565 Front St., Chicopee, followed by a Mass of Christian Burial at 10 AM in St. Stanislaus Basilica, 566 Front St., Chicopee.

Burial will follow in St. Stanislaus Cemetery. Calling hours are Thursday from 4-7 PM. Memorial contributions may be made to St. Stanislaus School Education Fund, 534 Front St., Chicopee, MA 01013.