



Robert C. Koch

October 28, 1958 - July 31, 2006

Robert Charles Koch, age 47, of Highland, IL., died Monday, July 31, 2006, at his residence in Highland, IL.

He was born October 28, 1958, in Highland, IL., the son of Lawrence and Anna (nee Berndsen) Koch.

On September 27, 1980, he married Jean M. (Byrnes) Koch, who survives.

Mr. Koch grew up in Highland, attended St. Paul Grade School and graduated from Highland High School in 1976. He attended Belleville Area College, earning a degree in drafting. He worked at Lucco Inc., in Edwardsville, IL, for 10 years. For the past 20 years he worked at Precision Scales and Controls in St. Louis, MO. He was licensed with the department of Agriculture as a Scale Technician.

He drove race car #17 and was a champion in the Bomber Division at Highland Speedway. He also raced in Belleville with Allied Auto Racing. He spent many hours working on his race cars and everyone elses. He also had played with the Highland-Pierron Merchants and American Legion Baseball team and was a former bowler.

He was a member of St. Paul Catholic Church-Highland, IL., and a former

member of the Southwestern Auto Racing Assoc.

Survivors also include Father-Lawrence H. Koch of Highland, Ill., Son-Chad R. Koch of Highland, Ill., Son-Andrew J. Koch of Highland, Ill., Son-Darren J. Koch of Highland, Ill., Daughter-Karla M. Koch of Highland, Ill., Grandchild-Carson R. Talleur of Highland, Ill., Sister-Mary Jane Jackson of Beckemeyer, Ill., Brother-William H. (Edie) Koch of O'Fallon, Ill., Sister-Nancy A. Opperman of Tampa, Fla., Father & Mother In-law-Garrett J. & Cheryl M. (nee Meyer) Byrnes of Saint Jacob, Ill.

He was preceded in death by his Mother-Anna Jane Koch.