OBITUARY

Debra S. "Debbie" Baierl, 53, Newfoundland and Tobyhanna, died Tuesday at Geisinger Wyoming Valley Medical Center, Wilkes -Barre. She was the wife of Elmer P. Baierl.

Born in Neubrucke, Germany, daughter of Alan D. and Harriet (Williams) Schweitzer, she had resided in the Newfoundland area for the past 15 years and previously in Hackettstown, N.J.

Debbie worked as a house cleaner, working for private home owners. She had a giving heart and anyone knew they could count on her to lend a hand in times of need. She was a generous and compassionate person who was equally spirited and determined. She enjoyed trips to the beach, travel, motorcycles, decorating and cooking and held a special place in her heart for animals and children, especially her "Cody Boy." Debbie loved being a friend, helping others, the spirit of giving and her favorite holiday was Christmas. She will be sadly missed and always remembered.

She is also survived by her companion of many years, Edward Oakes, Greentown; and a daughter, Danielle.

A celebration of her life will be held on Tuesday at 7 p.m. in the Hemlock Grove United Methodist Church, Roemerville Rd., Greentown by Rev. Earl Roberts. Memorial remembrances may be made to the Make-A-Wish Foundation, 1327 Pittston Ave., Scranton, Pa. 18505 or the Dessin Animal Shelter, RR 5, Honesdale, Pa. 18431.

Arrangements by Arthur J. Frey Funeral Home, 201 Rt. 191, Village of LaAnna, South Sterling, Pa.

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NAME: Baierl, Debra S. (nee Schweitzer)

DATE OF DEATH: January 10, 2012