



Matthew J. "Woody" Smith



Matthew J. "Woody" Smith, 24, of County Highway 107, Broadalbin, died at home Thursday morning, March 8, 2012. He was born in Amsterdam on April 19, 1987, a son of John M. Smith and Patricia A. Ruzycky and was a former student at Broadalbin-Perth High School. He attended Shalmont High School in Rotterdam and later completed his GED through Schenectady County Community College before entering the U.S. Army. Matthew proudly served his country and was honorably discharged due to medical reasons in 2008. He was employed as a cable technician for

Wave.Com of Utica. Woody lived life to the fullest and was "all boy" who enjoyed anything outdoors. He loved hunting, fishing, four-wheeling, snowmobiling and riding his Harley. Most of all, Matt loved spending time with family and friends. He is survived by his father, John M. Smith of Amsterdam; his mother, Patricia A. Tyler (John Pieniazek) of Hastings, Fla.; a son, Jayden M. Smith of Schenectady; his significant other, Krystal Hernandez and her children, Robert and Isabella Hernandez; four sisters, Vanessa Smith and his twin sister Jamie Lee "Boo-Boo" Smith, both of Hastings, Fla., Theresa Smith of Fort Plain, and Katie Marie Smith of Gloversville; his half-sister and brothers, Kelly Ketchum and John Smith, Jr., of Gloversville, and Jacob Smith of Mayfield; his maternal grandfather, Emylin Ruzycky of Broadalbin; and several aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, and cousins.