



## Michael J. Bottega



December 25, 2010 Michael J. Bottega, 52, of Cicero, passed into the loving arms of his Savior on Christmas Day after a brief illness, with his beloved wife and best friend by his side. Born in Syracuse on November 11, 1958, Michael lived in Liverpool until moving to Cicero in 2000. Michael was born a fighter, accepting any and all challenges set before him. Beating the odds against him, his fortitude was put to the test at age 14, when he was diagnosed and successfully defeated Hodgkin's disease. Michael graduated from Christian Brothers Academy in 1976 and received his bachelor's degree in computer science from SUNY Potsdam in 1980. He married his childhood sweetheart and love of his life, Maria Martino, on September 12, 1981, thus beginning their wonderful journey they always knew they would enjoy together. Michael's professional career began at MONY as a computer programmer, where his hard work and devotion to service earned him the trust and admiration of his peers. He advanced steadily throughout his career. He took employment with Navisite for several years and completed his career at AXA Equitable as database administrator. Michael was an avid motorcycle and snowmobile enthusiast and engaged wholeheartedly in many interests. He was liked by all who had the pleasure to have known him, as his family and numerous friends would attest. Michael will be missed but never ever forgotten. He was predeceased by his father, John Bottega, in 1999 and his brother, John "Butch" Bottega, in 1992. Michael is survived by his loving wife of 29 years, Maria M. (Martino) Bottega; his mother, Mary (John) Conzelmann of Baldwinsville; brother, Louis Bottega of Liverpool; several nieces and nephews; and his beloved canine companion, "Kaly."