

# Darren C. Cignetti

## *Parks Township*

Darren C. Cignetti, 43, of Parks Township, died Thursday, July 27, 2006, in a motorcycle accident on Route 981 in Loyalhanna Township.

He was born March 22, 1963, in Pittsburgh, son of Donna (Lee) and William Kunselman, of Kepple Hill, Parks Township, and the late Charles M. Cignetti, who died in 1963.

Darren was employed for five years as a technician by the Municipal Water Authority of Westmoreland County. He was a member of the Reformation Lutheran Church in Kepple Hill, Parks Township. He was a member of the Utility Workers Union of America, New Kensington, and the International Association of Machinist and Aerospace Workers.

He was also a member of the L.O.O.M., Clarion, the Slovak Club of North Vandergrift, and the Polish Club and the Lithuanian Club, both of East Vandergrift.

Darren was a 1981 graduate of Kiski Area High School and he attended the Electronic Institute of Pittsburgh for two years.

His interests included fishing, hunting, motorcycles, restoring cars and trucks and playing pool.

In addition to his parents, he is survived by a son, Nickolaus Martin Cignetti, son of Shari Faber of Vandergrift; a brother, Clayton Kunselman and fiancée, Alyssa Pike, of Kepple Hill; and a sister, Kerry Kunselman, of Vandergrift.

In addition to his father, he was preceded in death by his paternal grandparents, Martin and Grace Cignetti; his maternal grandparents, Clarence and Gladys Lee; and his grandparents, Sam and Jean Kunselman.

In lieu of flowers, his family requests donations be sent to the American Cancer Society.

# Police probe fatal crash

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VALLEY NEWS DISPATCH

State police don't know what caused a Kepple Hill man driving a motorcycle to veer into a guardrail along a Loyalhanna Township road, causing his death Thursday night.

Darren C. Cignetti, 43, of the Kepple Hill section of Parks, crashed as he rode north on Route 981 toward Saltsburg about 9:45 p.m.

State police said a skid mark shows that his motorcycle turned into the guardrail about a 10th of a mile from Moween Road.



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"I don't know if he veered because of a deer or what," the investigating trooper said.

The accident probe so far has revealed that Cignetti apparently skidded along the guardrail.

A gouge mark in the road shows where Cignetti's Harley-Davidson's foot peg caught on the highway, righting the bike and throwing Cignetti, the trooper said. The motorcycle was found about 100 feet away.

Westmoreland County Deputy Coroner Chris O'Leath said Cignetti died from trauma to his head and neck.

Cignetti wasn't wearing a helmet, O'Leath said.

He was pronounced dead at the scene.

Toxicology tests aren't expected to be completed for several weeks.

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