Robert J. **Gorka**, 57, of Beaver Falls, PA, passed away Wednesday, (October 31, 2001) at his home. Born in Hartford, a son of the late Antonio and Jane (Napolitano) Gorka, he resided in the East Hartford area for his young adult years prior to moving and residing in Leominster, MA for most of his life. He was a graduate of St. Thomas Aquinas High School in New Britain, and then attended the University of Connecticut, where he graduated with a BS degree in chemistry. He was a U.S. Army Veteran of the Vietnam Conflict and was an avid golfer. NOVA Chemicals, Inc. of Monaca, PA employed him for the past 32 years as a research scientist. Mr. Gorka is survived by his wife, Rosemary (Puglisi) Gorka of Leominster, MA; a son, Daniel J. Gorka of Clinton, MA; two daughters, Donna Gorka of Clinton, MA, Carolyn Gorka of Leominster, MA; a brother and sister-in-law, Edward and Linda Gorka of South Windsor; and several nieces and nephews. Funeral service will be Monday, November 5, 10 a.m. from the D'ESOPO-East Hartford Memorial Chapel, 30 Carter Street, East Hartford, with a Mass of Christian Burial celebrated 11 a.m. at St. Rose Church, 33 Church Street, East Hartford. Burial with full Military Honors will be at Rose Hill Memorial Park, Rocky Hill. Relatives and friends may call at the funeral home Sunday, November 4, 2-5 p.m. Memorial contributions in Robert's memory may be made to a favorite charity of the donor's choice. For on-line memorials please visit www.desopo.com.