

Robert E. Collins, (20 Jun 1955 – 8 Dec 2011), Perry County Times, 24 December 2011

Robert E. Collins, 56, died Thursday, Dec. 8, 2011 at his Howe Twp. home.

He was born June 20, 1955 in Loysville to the late **William** and **Helen (Smith) Collins**.

He was better known as “Bim, Bumbles, Ponytail or Hop Sing” to his friends in the racing circuit; part of a pit crew and an avid race fan and biker; a member of the National Hall of Fame and Museum, Knoxville, Iowa, and York County Racing Club; and did charity rides for children, benefiting local charities.

Surviving are his wife, **Jinsui “Wendy” Collins**; a brother, **Thomas E.** of Carlisle; a sister, **Betty M. Koopman** of Newport; two stepdaughters, **Laura Bubb** and **Sara Turnbaugh**, both of Newport; two step grandchildren; a foster daughter, **Devin Stuller**; and nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his wife, **Terry Pina Collins**; a brother, **Paul W.**; and two nephews, **Roy C. Robinson** and **Bret Zeigler**.

Services were held Dec. 18 in New Bloomfield VFW 7463.

David Myers Funeral Home, Newport, handled arrangements.

Memorial contributions may be made to Newport Ambulance League, 50 S. Third St., Newport 17074, or Newport Fire Company, Mulberry Street, Newport.