January 10, 2002

Bryce Austin Shepard

Dec. 31, 1977, to Jan. 2, 2002

Bryce Austin Shepard, 24, of Colo, died of a self-inflicted gunshot wound on Wednesday, Jan. 2, at his rural Colo home.

He was born Dec. 31, 1977, in Des Moines to Delbert A. and Margaret A. (Groves) Shepard. He was a 1996 graduate of Nevada High School. He was employed as an electrician at Nikkel and Associates in Ames for the past year. He spent his time on earth making people laugh and smile. He touched the lives of many people who will miss him. He enjoyed camping, fishing and being outdoors. He had been a resident of Nevada since 1993.

Survivors include his parents, Del and Margaret Shepard of Nevada; two sisters, Merilee McClanahan of Nevada and Krista Stibal of Waterloo; a paternal grandmother, Edna Shepard of Nevada; and a maternal grandfather, Bill Groves of Webster City.

He is preceded in death by his paternal grandfather and his maternal grandmother.

Private memorial services will be held at the First United Methodist Church in Nevada with Pastor David Burling officiating. Burial of the remains will be at a later date. A memorial fund has been established. Chet Ryan Mortuary in Nevada handled arrangements.

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