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Gregory Scott Sturtz, 45, of Midland, Texas, and formerly of Gilman, died Thursday, June 28, 2012, in a car accident in Odessa, Texas.

A funeral service was held Friday, July 6, 2012, at Smith Funeral Home in Grinnell with Rev. Craig Stadtmeuller officiating. Pallbearers were Craig Jackman, Sean Lawyer, John Loving, Mike Murray, Joe Robinson and John Spesia. Burial was in Prairie View Cemetery near Gilman.

Greg was born on Jan. 18, 1967, in Des Moines, to Vernon and Katherine Peak Sturtz. He graduated from SEMCO High School in Gilman and received a B.A. degree from the University of Iowa. Later, he received a law degree from Drake University in Des Moines.

Following his education he practice law for a few years in Denver, Colo., and later started the Sturtz Construction Business. In 2011, he moved to Midland, Texas, to be close to his mother, brother and family. He took a job in the oilfield with Fesco LTD, where he enjoyed working daily with his nephews.

His passion for hockey was evident through the countless hours he spent coaching youth teams and playing on

7-9-2012 intramural teams while in Denver. His more recent days off were spent with his nieces and nephews grilling outside, watching sports and spending time with his family and friends.

Survivors include his brother, Steve Sturtz of San Angelo, Texas; special friend, Katrina Gustafson of Denver, Colo.; and his nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

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A visitation will be held from 5:30 to 7 p.m., on Thursday, July 5, at Smith

Funeral Home.