John T. Turley 3/2013

John T. Turley, age 15, of Grinnell, died on Saturday, January 26, 2013, at his home.

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A funeral mass will be held at 3:00 p.m., Friday, February 1, 2013, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Grinnell with Father Nick Adam presiding. Pallbearers are Mark Romano, Mike Anderson, Tracy Sadler, Mike Beck, Jason Pollock, and Tony Leonard. A reception will be held immediately following his service at the Harris Center on the Grinnell College Campus, 1114 10th Avenue in Grinnell. Interment will be at Grace Lutheran Cemetery near



Dawson, Minnesota at 3:00 pm. on Saturday, February 2, 2013.

Visitation will be held from 2:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. on Thursday at the Smith Funeral Home and his family will be present to greet friends from 4:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorials be designated to the John T. Turley Memorial Fund, PO Box 368, Grinnell, Iowa 50112. Memories and condolences may be shared with his family at www.smithfh.com.

John was born the son of Scott and Stacy (Jordahl) Turley on July 19, 1997, in Akron, Ohio. The family moved to Grinnell in January of 1999. He attended St. Mary's Catholic Church and he was a freshman

at Grinnell High School.

John had been a member of Cub Scout Pack 347 and then Boy Scout Troop 313 since the first grade. Among other things, a Scout is loyal, helpful, friendly, courteous, kind, cheerful, thrifty and brave according to the Scout Law. John succeeded almost every day meeting these ideals. He certainly did a Good Turn Daily. He was proud to be a member of the Grinnell Sure Shots Trap Shooting Club. He loved the outdoors, especially camping, hunting and fishing. John will be remembered for his constant smile and love of conversation, usually about sports, fishing and his siblings. His positive attitude and love of life were his trademarks.

John is survived by his parents, Scott and Stacy Turley of Grinnell; his siblings, Molly, Matthew and Lucy Turley of Grinnell; his paternal grandfather, Melvin "Doug" Turley of Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio; his maternal grandmother, Kathie Jordahl of Alexandria, Minnesota; and

several aunts, uncles and cousins.

John was preceded in death by his paternal grandmother, Doris Lillian Turley; and his maternal grandfather, Rick C. Jordahl. John's final resting place will be next to his Grandpa Rick.

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Community mourns loss of member of Class of "

GHS Principal Kevin Seney informed GHS parents and students today, Jan. 28, of the death of John Turley, a member of the GHS Class of 2016, at his home on Saturday, Jan. 26.

"On behalf of the Grinnell High School faculty and staff, our thoughts and deepest sympathies go out to his family and those closest to him at this time," Seney said.

Seney said the GHS counselors will be available for students, especially during the week of Jan. 28, "for any who may need support and fellowship

as they mourn the loss of their classmate

and friend." The school dance known as Winter Whirl was scheduled for the evening of Saturday, Jan. 26. The dance was postponed and has not been re-scheduled.

The Grinnell Middle School Academic Assembly, originally scheduled for this Friday, Feb. 1, has been rescheduled for Friday, Feb. 8, so that students and staff who wish to attend funeral services for Turley Friday afternoon can do so.

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