Justin D. Arnold, 31, of Des Moines, who has family in this area, died Thursday, Aug. 14, 2014, as the result of a battle with Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy.

A memorial service was held Monday, Aug. 18, at the Staves Memorial United Methodist Church in Des Moines.

Should friends desire memorials may be directed to the Justin D. Arnold Memorial Fund to establish a foundation to help families with similar diseases buy assistive equipment, and can be sent care of Smith Funeral Home, P.O. Box 368, Grinnell, IA 50112.

Justin was born April 4, 1983, in Des Moines, the only son of Colan and Marilyn Grobenburg Arnold. He graduated from North High School with the class of 2002. Justin was a member of the Staves Memorial United Methodist Church and a lifelong member of the Sports Car Club of America.

He enjoyed traveling, various activities with family and friends, and going out to eat. He liked playing solitaire and watching Netflix on the computer, and was an avid James Bond fan.

He is survived by his parents, Marilyn and Colan Arnold of Des Moines; numerous relatives including an uncle and two aunts from Grinnell, Bill and Nancy Tinkle, and Cathy Grovenburg; and his “brother and best friend,” his dog Lucky.

Justin was preceded in death by his maternal grandparents.