Abigail Anne Bohstedt

Abigail Anne Bohstedt, 25, of Highland, Ind., and formerly of Grinnell, was killed in a multi-vehicle traffic accident on Monday, Aug. 1, 2016, near Ottawa, Ill.

Her fiancé, Darrell Scott Jr., was killed in the same accident; they were to be married November 12.

A funeral service will be held at 10:30 a.m., Saturday, Aug. 6, at the Grinnell United Methodist Church with the Rev. Rick Magstadt, pastor of the Grace Community Church in Grinnell, officiating. Interment will be at Hazelwood Cemetery in Grinnell. Friends may call at the Smith Funeral Home in Grinnell beginning at 12 noon on Friday and the family will be present at the funeral home from 4 to 7 p.m. on Friday.

Memorials may be directed to Camp Rivercrest in Fremont, Nebraska, and sent in care of the Smith Funeral Home, P.O. Box 368, Grinnell, Iowa 50112.

Abigail was born March 19, 1991, in Grinnell, to Ralph and Beth Dunwoody Bohstedt. She was raised in Grinnell and attended Grinnell-Newburg schools, graduating in 2009. She received the Matt Lageveen award for her service to others and participated in student council, drama, choir, tennis and cross-country.

She attended Beloit College in Wisconsin, receiving a BA in sociology in 2013. She achieved the dean’s list several times, worked for substance-free efforts on campus, and was involved in student government. Abigail also spent a semester studying in Istanbul, Turkey. She worked in the admissions office at Monmouth College for two years, and since last August she has been Associate Director of Admissions at Ivy Tech Community College in East Chicago, Ind., where, according to her supervisors, she was “making a positive impact.”

Abigail will be remembered for her strong faith in Jesus Christ as her Lord and Savior, and her love of purple, Disney Princesses, and zebras. Abigail was compassionate, supportive, and loving; her joy and positive spirit were contagious. She always found the good in everyone, and was a wonderful reminder that being compassionate matters more than being right.

She is survived by her parents; two brothers, Mark Bohstedt of Des Moines and Seth Bohstedt, with fiancée Kaelyn Sale, of Johnston; her maternal grandparents, Ron and Maida Dunwoody of Lynnville; her fiancé’s family; and countless other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her paternal grandparents, Edward and Anne Bohstedt.