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The son of Debra Steinmetz Fitzgerald and Mark Lagaveen, he was born July 1, 1990, in Pella. He was raised in Montezuma and attended school there through seventh grade. He was baptized at the Montezuma Presbyterian Church which he attended regularly. He was a proud member of the Grinnell High School sophomore football team and look forward to being a member of the high school tennis team. He was employed part-time at Michael’s Restaurant in Grinnell. He was an avid University of Michigan fan.

He is survived by his mother and stepfather, Debra and Stanley Fitzgerald of Grinnell; his father and stepmother, Mark and Julie Lagaveen of Montezuma; one sister, Marisa Lagaveen of Grinnell; two brothers, Adam Lagaveen of Fort Smith, Ark., and Ian Fitzgerald of Grinnell; two stepsisters, Joni Meyer of Lynnhville and Jerica Rankin of Grinnell, and his grandparents, Anthony and Doris Steinmetz and Arthur and Donna Lagaveen of DeMotte, Ind. He was preceded in death by his grandmother Carol Lagaveen.
CORRECTION
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