Benjamin M. Eslinger

Benjamin Michael Eslinger, 19, of Omaha, Neb., died suddenly May 4, 2006, in Oakland.

A funeral service was held Monday, May 8, in the Oakland Christian Church followed by burial in the Oakland Cemetery.

He was born in Des Moines and lived in Newton until moving to Oakland with his family at the age of two. He attended school in Riverside. After graduating from high school he moved to Council Bluffs, then Omaha. He worked at Menard's and helped his mother and stepfather in a family business in Oakland.

He is survived by his mother and stepfather, Denise and Phil Reed of Oakland; his father, Michael Eslinger of Kellogg; one sister, Jessica Pullen of Colorado Springs, Colo.; two brothers, Jeremy Perkins of Oakland and Jon Reed of Ankeny and his grandparents, Gene and Barb Eslinger of Kellogg.