Alex J. Slaymaker, 19

Funeral services for Alex J. Slaymaker, 19, Marengo, were held at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 23, at First Presbyterian Church, Marengo. He died Saturday evening, Jan. 19, 2008, in a motor vehicle accident. Delbert Kankin officiated at the service.

Burial was in the Koszta Cemetery, rural Marengo. Casket bearers were Harley Martin, Shane Seye, Joe Seye, Andy Jones, Reese Maas, Kevin Ritchie, Daren Grimm, Jake Roberts and Kevin Cheatham.

A memorial fund has been established. Kloster Funeral Home, Marengo, was in charge of arrangements. Online condolences may be left at www.klosterfuneralhome.com.

Alex John Slaymaker was born Jan. 30, 1988, in Cedar Rapids. He graduated from Iowa Valley High School, Marengo, in 2006, and attended Kirkwood Community College. He was employed with Richwood Homes LLC, as a carpenter. He enjoyed playing XBox, hanging out with friends, and farming with his grandpa. He was a Green Bay Packer fan and an Iowa Hawkeye fan. He rode motorcycles, went fishing, played basketball, football and golf, enjoyed listening to music and working in the construction trade.

Slaymaker is survived by his father, Terry Kriegel and wife, Shari, Victor; his mother, Denise Slaymaker Roberts and husband Nick, Marengo; one brother, Blaise Roberts, and one sister, Payton Roberts, both Marengo; a stepbrother, Michael Wiedemeier, and a stepsister, Tara Griffith, both Victor; his grandfathers, John Kriegel, Brooklyn, and Melvin Slaymaker, Marshalltown; grandmothers, May Kriegel, Ankeny; LaRay Hawkins, Marengo; great-grandparents, Kathleen Kriegel, Brooklyn, and Sam and Molly McNaul, Grinnell; uncles and their wives, Dale and Mindi Slaymaker and David and Angie Slaymaker, all Marengo, and Shawn Kriegel, Brooklyn; aunts and their husbands, Diane “Anni” and Rich Maas, Marengo, and Toni and Jason Douglas, Brooklyn, and many cousins.

He was preceded in death by his grandfather, Bob Hawkins; his great-grandfather, Gerald Kriegel, and his great-grandmother, Ila Bannon.