

Richard A.

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Rites held for Mr. Baustian

Richard A. Baustian, 28, of rural Brooklyn died March 4 at the home of his mother.

Funeral services were conducted at 10:30 a.m. Friday, March 7, at St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Brooklyn. The funeral mass was celebrated by the Revs. Maynard J. Brotherson of Albia, Karl Holtkamp of St. Patrick's and Eugene Hoenig of St. Bridget Catholic Church in Victor.

Pallbearers were David Baustian, Thomas Bride, Gerald Burke, David Brothersen, James Bride and Brian Clemens. Burial was in the Calvary Cemetery at Victor, with the McAninch-Fremming Funeral Home of Victor in charge of arrangements.

The son of Gerald J. and Rita Ann Brothersen Baustian, he

was born on Oct. 26, 1957, in Grinnell. He attended Grinnell schools until his junior year, graduating from Hallsville High School in Hallsville, Mo. He served with the U.S. Air Force until his discharge in October 1980. At the time of his death, he was employed at Giordano's Pizza in Cedar Rapids.

Survivors include his mother, Rita of Brooklyn; his father, Gerald of North Platte, Neb.; two brothers, Gerald of Brunswick, Maine, and Daniel of North Platte; six sisters, Teresa and Kathleen Baustian of Des Moines, Diane Burke of New Bern, N.C., Leslie Doerie of St. Louis, Mo., Loretta Baustian of Grinnell and Jennifer Baustian of Brooklyn; and his maternal grandmother, Teresa Brothersen of Roseville, Ill.

Death ruled

a suicide

The March 4 death of Richard Baustian, 28, of rural Brooklyn has been ruled a suicide, according to Deputy Sheriff Marty Durfus.

Baustian's body was found by a neighbor shortly after 2:37 p.m. at the home of Baustian's mother, Rita, north of Brooklyn.

Death was the result of a single shot, Durfus said. Baustian was pronounced dead at the scene by Robert Carney, M.D., the Poweshiek County medical examiner.