Duane Richards

Duane Kirk Richards, 28, of Cedar Rapids, formerly of Grinnell, died Friday, Sept. 13, at his home.

Funeral services were held Thursday at the New Sharon United Methodist Church, with David Pinkerton officiating. Burial was at Friends Cemetery in New Sharon, with the Harden Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

He was the son of Afton Wayne and Pamela Sue Werner Richards and was born Jan. 26, 1974, in Oskaloosa. He attended schools in Oskaloosa, Marshalltown, and New Sharon and was a 1992 graduate of Grinnell High School.

He moved to Cedar Rapids after graduating and was attending Kirkwood Community College at the time of his death.

He was married to Michelle Bruce Oct. 23, 1999, in Cedar Rapids.

Mr. Richards is survived by his mother and stepfather, Pamela and Perry Ruby of Berlin, Md.; two daughters, Alyssah and Mckinski of Grinnell; one son, Kirkland, also of Grinnell; two stepchildren, Cody and Cindy Bruce of Cedar Rapids; a half-brother, Dan Richards of Oskaloosa; and his maternal grandparents, Donna Werner of New Sharon and Bill Werner of Oskaloosa.

He was preceded in death by his father and his paternal grandparents, Kirk and Dortha Richards.

A memorial fund has been established.