Bryon E. Stout, 26

Bryon Earl Stout, 26, of Montezuma, and formerly of Tracy, died Saturday, May 29, 2004, following a single vehicle auto accident in Marion County near Hamilton.

His funeral service was Thursday, June 3, at the Church of the Open Bible, Pella, with Pastor Paul D. Hughes officiating. His committal service was at Sandridge Cemetery, Tracy.

Casket bearers were Blaine Stout, Clint Williams, Adam Rozenboom, Jason Vos, Wayne Van Weelden and Brad Williams.

Bryon Earl Stout was born on April 5, 1978, at Mahaska Hospital, Oskaloosa, to Ralph Edward and Connie Lavon Nikkel Stout, of Tracy. He was the oldest of two sons. He was dedicated to Jesus Christ as an infant by his parents.

He attended Peoria Christian School and Pella Christian High School, graduating in 1996. He attended Iowa State University and Indian Hills Community College in Ottumwa, where he obtained his degree in robotic engineering in 2002 with a 4.0 grade point average. Following graduation, he was employed by Marshalltown Trowel, Marshalltown, working in engineering and computer-animated drawing. In November of 2003, Bryon relocated to Montezuma, where he worked for Montezuma Manufacturing in the area of engineering and robotics.

He enjoyed modeling cars, working on antique tractors and "pulling" with his M Farmall. He also enjoyed Old Thresher Shows in Mt. Pleasant and Albert City. Reading science fiction books, listening to southern gospel music, participating in family sing-alongs and singing with a group of friends at the Union Liberty Church at Bussey were among his favorite things to do.

He is survived by his parents, his brother, Blaine Lee, and Blaine's wife, Billie Sue (Liles) Stout, and a niece, Cloee Leigh Stout, of Bussey; his maternal grandmother, Anna Pauline (Groenen- dyk) Nikkel, of Tracy, along with numerous aunts, uncles and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his paternal grandparents, Earl and Pansy (Brandon) Stout; his maternal grandfather, Albert H. Nikkel; his great-uncle, Delis Nikkel, and an infant cousin, Matthew.

The family desires memorials be designated for the Bryon E. Stout Memorial.