

OBITUARIES

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James "Butch" Wacha

James "Butch" Wacha, age 16, son of Mr. and Mrs. James J. Wacha, rural Brooklyn, died Monday afternoon, Oct. 23, in St. Mary's hospital in Rochester, Minn. He had been in failing health since last May and was hospitalized in University hospitals, Iowa City, nine weeks, returning home September 7. Death was due to chronic heart failure.

James Craig, son of James J. and Shirley Turner Wacha, was born Dec. 13, 1950 in Evangelical hospital, Marshalltown, while the family lived east of Tama. He attended Otter Creek No. 4 rural school four years and with his parents moved to the Brooklyn area in 1960.

James attended BGM high school and would have been a junior this fall. While in school he was active in sports, participating in Little League baseball and the basketball team. He took a keen interest in 4-H work and Future Farmers of America and entered his livestock in 4-H competition. He also derived much enjoyment from his ponies.

James was a member of Grace Methodist church in Brooklyn.

Surviving are his parents; two sisters, Linda and La Donna, two brothers, Jeffrey and Jay, all at home; his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. James L. Wacha, Sr., Tama, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Turner, Tama and numerous uncles and aunts and cousins.

Funeral services were held Thursday afternoon, Oct. 26 at Mason's Funeral home, Tama in charge of Rev. E. Edward Philgreen, pastor of Grace Methodist church in Brooklyn. Burial was in Woodlawn cemetery, Toledo.

Music was provided by Miss Linda Krumm, solist, accompanied on the organ by Mrs. Dorothy Strine. Caring for floral tributes were Linda Moyer, June and Jane Minnaert and Glynace Ford.

Casketbearers were Craig Lang, Terry Shuey, John Mantt, Michael Simmons, Kevin Heishman and Jerry Maschmann.

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