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Jonathan Raxter

Jonathan Raxter, 21, of Brevard, N.C., died Friday, May 9, in his room in Cleveland Hall on the Grinnell College campus of an apparent suicide.

Funeral services for Jonathan Raxter were held Wednesday, May 14, at the Moody-Connolly Funeral Home in Brevard. An on-campus memorial was held Thursday, May 15, at 7 p.m. in Herrick Chapel. The service here featured music by Noah Siegler and Kat Henry and remembrances by friends and colleagues. A reception in the South Lounge of the college's Forum followed the service.

Jonathan Raxter was the son of Robert and Marcia Pangle Raxter of Brevard, N.C. He majored in mathematics at Grinnell and was co-founder of the Grinnell College Academic Team (Quiz Bowl).

He also worked for two years in the offices of Van Wyk Freight Lines as a billing clerk.

He is survived by his parents; one sister, Ashly Nicole Raxter of Brevard; his paternal grandparents, Perry and Helen Raxter of Brevard; and his maternal grandmother, Shirley Pangle of Asheville, N.C.; along with several aunts, uncles and cousins.

Memorials may be directed to the Charles Pangle Leadership Fund, Attn: Rex Dillard, P.O. Box 29, Lake Toxaway, N.C. 28747.