

Obituaries *Record*

CURTIS WILLIAM KUMBIER

Curtis Kumbier, 43, of Montezuma passed away Monday, March 3, 2014, at his home. Funeral services were held Saturday, March 8, 2014, at the



Holland-Coble Funeral Home in Montezuma. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to his family. Friends can sign the on-line guestbook at www.hollandcoblefuneral-homes.com.

Curtis William Kumbier, son of Dale and Mary Kumbier, was born October 10, 1970, in San Salvador, El Sal-

vador. His early years were adventurous, spending time climbing trees and catching iguanas, as well as other stories he shared with his children later in life. At the age of 11, Curtis was adopted by Dale and Mary and moved to Marshalltown. During his time there, he became very close with his backyard neighbors, Merlyn and Carol Newberg. He spent most of his free time playing with their children. It didn't take long for him to feel like a part of their family as well. When the Newberg family moved to Montezuma, Curtis asked if he could move in with them. Neither Merlyn and Carol, or their other seven children hesitated to welcome him into their home. This change began Curtis's life in Montezuma. He graduated with the Montezuma class of '89. After graduation he became a shift manager at Hardees, which he did for a while before beginning his career in construction with J & M Roofing in Brooklyn. During his time in construction, he also worked for Becker Roofing, Bill Ahrens, and finally Newberg Construction. Curtis was working at Jeld-Wen and was nearing the completion of his Business Management Degree at Iowa Valley Community College. He enjoyed spending free time hunting, fishing and keeping tabs on high school wrestling. He loved the jobs that he had, but above all, he loved his family.

Curtis is preceded in death by his second parents, Merlyn and Carol Newberg.

Left to honor his memory are his parents, Dale and Mary Kumbier; his step-mom Sharon Newberg; four sons, Curtis Kumbier, Keith Simmons, Vincent Buchanan, and Gabriel Kumbier; two daughters, Shania Kumbier and Lainy Kumbier; two grandchildren, Brayden and Bentley Kumbier; five brothers, Eduardo Kumbier, Todd (Melinda) Moats, Kirk (Patty) Moats, Mike (Kellie) Newberg, and Mark (Lori) Newberg; three sisters, Marsha (Albert) Johns, Mary Jo (Lowell) Newberg, and Kim (Emilio) Zapata; two special aunts, Georgie Whitehead and Betty Newman; as well as many nieces, nephews and a host of friends.