

Michael C. Palmer

Michael Christopher Palmer, 40, of Gilbert died Monday, Nov. 20, 2006, at Iowa Methodist Medical Center in Des Moines of injuries sustained in a motorcycle accident.

A funeral service was held Saturday, Nov. 25, at First United Methodist Church in Ankeny. Burial of his remains will take place at a later date in Hazelwood Cemetery at Grinnell and in Korea. Memorials may be made to Ankeny Substance Abuse Project, 406 SW School St., Suite 219, Ankeny IA 50023.

He was born Dec. 29, 1965, in Seoul, Korea, where he resided until the age of 11 when he and his sister were adopted by David Palmer of Ankeny, formerly of Grinnell, and his wife Pamela.

He attended Ankeny schools and graduated from Fort Dodge High School. He studied respiratory therapy at Kirkwood Community College in Cedar Rapids, and subsequently worked in nursing homes. He later worked in restaurant management and was owner of Daisy Chains and Laughs coffee shop in Gilbert.

He enjoyed playing his guitar and was interested in Native American culture, living with friends on the Hopi reservation in Arizona at times. He also enjoyed his extended family.

He is survived by his parents, David and Pamela Palmer of Ankeny; eight sisters and brothers, Jennifer Kelly, Seattle, Wash.; Catherine Laughman, Iowa City; Ted Palmer, Nevada; Julianne Palmer, Seattle; Dr. John Palmer, Manlius, N.Y.; Dr. Robert Palmer, North Miami Beach, Fla.; James Palmer, Minneapolis, Minn., and Susanna Cardoso, Ankeny, and his maternal grandmother, Edna Beaudry, Ankeny. He was preceded in death by his birth mother, Yong Suk Ribbe.

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