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## Mark Blackwell

Mark Blackwell, 36, of the Poweshiek County Care Facility, Montezuma, died of complications of a stroke Wednesday, Nov. 7, at Grinnell General Hospital.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday at the Smith Funeral Home, with the Rev. Raymond C. Lott, pastor of the Grinnell United Methodist Church, officiating. Organist was Margaret Wheeler, and pallbearers were Ed Brand, Andrew Dunnick, Marion Hardeman, Ken Hiner, Tom Hotchkin, Steve Orsborn, Russ Sadler and Bill Smith.

Burial was in Hazelwood Cemetery.

The son of James D. and Virginia Freeborn Blackwell, he was born Dec. 19, 1952, in Chicago. He moved to Grinnell in 1967 and attended Grinnell High School. He later worked for Weyrauch Greenhouse, Henecke Seed Corn Co. and Grinnell College, retiring in 1985 after suffering a stroke. He had been a resident of the Poweshiek County Care Facility since 1989.

Surviving are his mother, of Grinnell; his father, of Akron, Ohio; and his grandfather, Loyd Freeborn of Grinnell. He was preceded in death by a daughter, Victoria Ann Blackwell.

A memorial has been established in his name.