

## Mark Edward Elhard

Memorial services were held Monday afternoon, March 16, at Calvary Baptist Church in Grinnell for Mark Edward Elhard, 29, who died in Des Moines Saturday, March 7, 1998. The Rev. Ken Fields officiated, and organist Teresa Thompson played "How Great Thou Art." Honorary bearers were Scott Foubert, Mike Gilbert, Rueben Moffett, John Schroeder, Rod See, Todd Sisson and Chris Hanson. Interment was in the Hazelwood Cemetery in Grinnell.

Mark was born on Feb. 22, 1969, at Iowa City, to Dennis and Lynne Davis Elhard. He was raised in Grinnell and graduated from Grinnell High School in 1987. He attended Kirkwood Community College and the University of Iowa before receiving a BA degree from Grandview College in Des Moines.

Following his education, he worked as a journalist for newspapers at Brooklyn and Montezuma. He also worked for the *Pennysaver* in Grinnell and the *Dallas County Newspaper* in Adel.

Mark's boss, Brad Swenson, stated, "Mark had very solid writing skills and was not afraid to approach anyone in search of a story."

Mark recently won an award for his writing in the upcoming INF Better Newspaper Contest.

He is survived by his parents, Dennis and Lynne Elhard of Grinnell; one brother, Kenneth M. Elhard of Grinnell; and his friend, Michelle Kratz. Smith Funeral Home in Grinnell was in charge of arrangements.

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Mark E. Elhard, 29, of 730 17th St., Des Moines, formerly of Grinnell, died Saturday, March 7, at his home. The Polk County medical examiner has ruled the death a suicide.

A memorial service will be held at 1:30 p.m. Monday at the Calvary Baptist Church in Grinnell, with the Rev. Ken Fields, associate pastor of the church, officiating. Burial will be in Hazelwood Cemetery, with the Smith Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

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