Ex-officer dies in boat mishap

A former Grinnell police officer died Tuesday as the result of an apparent boating accident on the Nuese River near Cherry Point, N.C.

Michael Hilleman, 30, who was stationed at Cherry Point and was due to be discharged from the U.S. Marine Corps later this month, was one of two men who apparently drowned as a result of the accident. The other man's name had not been released as of Wednesday morning.

Marine officials were still investigating the accident at midweek, and details remained sketchy.

A member of the Grinnell

Police Department from Dec. 1, 1975, to Oct. 18, 1978, Hilleman was reported missing at 8:30 p.m. Saturday. His body was found at 9:46 p.m. on Tuesday.

Funeral services will be conducted at 1:30 p.m. Saturday at the Purcel-Davis Funeral Home in Marshalltown, with burial at Riverside Cemetery there

Survivors include his father. Cecil Hilleman of Marshalltown; his mother. Barbara Shelton of Waterville. Minn.; and two sisters. Pat Buffington of Marshalltown and Roberta Petit of San Burno, Calif.

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