

Nathan P. Figland



Nathan P. Figland, 20, of rural Grinnell, died Sunday, Aug. 8, 2004, of injuries he received in an auto accident at Rock Creek Lake near Grinnell.

A funeral service was held Thursday, Aug. 12, at Grinnell Christian Church with John Epperson, pastor of the church, officiating. Music was by Barbara Chitwood, pianist, and Jessica McLaughlin. Casket bearers were Andy DeAngelo, George Dickerson, Craig Havel, Ryan McGehee, Justin McIlrath, Michael Philben, John Schultz and Jeremy Stayner. Interment was in Rock Creek Cemetery near Grinnell. The Grinnell Wrestling Boosters hosted a luncheon at the church following the service.

He was born June 29, 1984, in Grinnell to Nick and Kristy Keenan Figland. He was raised in the Rock Creek area and graduated from Grinnell High School with the Class of 2003. He was a member of the high school wrestling, soccer and baseball teams. He worked at the Depot Crossing and HW Brand Company. He was enrolled at Southeastern Community College for the fall semester.

He also was an avid outdoorsman, especially enjoying hunting, fishing and collecting shads and, in addition, showed mules at the Iowa and Missouri State Fairs. He also cheered for the New York Yankees.

He is survived by his parents, Nick and Kristy Figland of rural Grinnell; one brother Cory Figland, rural Grinnell; his paternal grandmother and step grandfather, Linda Mae and Lowell Goemat of Lynnville; his paternal great grandmother, Mabel Lewis of Searsboro, and his maternal great grandmother, Iola Cooper of Missouri.

He was preceded in death by his paternal grandfather, Chester Figland, and his maternal grandparents, Hollis and Betty Keenan.

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