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## Joseph Paul Kramer, Jr., 19

*May 4, 1973 — Jan. 1, 1993*

**HARLAN** — Joseph Paul Kramer, Jr., son of Joseph and Janice (McHugh) Kramer Sr., was born May 4, 1973 at Harlan. He died at Harlan Jan. 1, 1993, as the result of an automobile accident at age 19 years, 7 months and 28 days. He was baptized and confirmed at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Earling and attended St. Joseph's grade school through the fifth grade. He then moved with his parents to Phoenix, AZ., where he continued his education at the Larkspur and Kachina Elementary Schools where he graduated from the eighth grade.

He then moved with his parents back to Earling where he enrolled in the Harlan Community High School as a freshman. As a student, he participated in junior varsity football and wrestling. After graduating in 1992, he enrolled in Western Iowa Tech at Sioux City where he studied diesel mechanics. He worked part time on the weekends at the R.L. Craft Co. in Denison, with his dad.

He was preceded in death by his maternal great-grandfathers Dan Adams and Jim McHugh. He is survived by his mother and father, Joe and Janice Kramer Jr. of Harlan; his sisters, Candi and Chrissy Kramer, both at home; his maternal grandmother Marjorie (Don) Bissen of Dunlap; maternal grandfather, Joseph McHugh of Woodbine; paternal grandmother, Marie (Syl) Jans of Glendale, AZ.; paternal grandfather Leonard (Anna Mae) Kramer of Harlan; maternal great-grandmothers Mary Adams and Ruth McHugh, both of Woodbine; aunts and uncles; and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated Jan. 4, 1993 at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Earling with Rev. Chuck Kottas, celebrant. Burial was in St. Joseph's cemetery with Tim Kenkel, Tom Munchrath, Steve Reischl, Jay Frederick, Richard A. Muff, and Dan Springman casketbearers. Pauley Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.