

Gary Sievers, Jr., 27

Feb. 6, 1979 - Feb. 5, 2007

CENTERVILLE — Gary Wayne Sievers, Jr., was born Feb. 6, 1979, in Omaha, NE, to Gary and Dorothy (Butcher) Sievers, Sr. He graduated from Walnut High School with the class of 1997. He was known to many as "Bud" and a good friend. He was an excellent student and participated in numerous sports while in school. Gary was employed at REM Leadway in Shelby and later at New Focus in Centerville. He died Feb. 5, 2007, at the Golden Age Care Center in Centerville, following a long courageous battle with cancer at age 27 years, 11 months and 30 days.

Gary was preceded in death by his maternal grandparents, Dewayne and Lucy Butcher, and his paternal grandparents, Ralph and Clara Sievers; by an uncle, Max Sievers; and by an aunt, Donna Jean Sievers. He is survived by his mother, Dorothy Sievers of Mystic; his father, Gary Sievers, Sr., of Walnut; his brother, Don Butcher (Angela), of Centerville; several nieces and nephews, Kayla and Matthew of Harlan, Christian, Patience, Riley and Wyatt of Centerville; aunts, uncles and cousins; and by his close friend, Brandon Aldridge of Mystic.

Funeral services were held Feb. 9, 2007, at Pauley Jones Funeral Home in Avoca, with Wayne Paulsen officiating. Casket bearers were Mike Akers, Scott Henderson, Ron Ruhs, Don Butcher, Gene Butcher, Jr., Craig Frazier, Jerry Tharen and Jeremy Sievers. Burial was in the Graceland Cemetery.