

Chad Freund, 19

July 21, 1977 - Dec. 28, 1996

EARLING - Chad Michael Freund, son of Dennis and Helen (Heller) Freund, was born July 21, 1977, at Denison. He was baptized and confirmed at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Earling, and attended St. Joseph's School through the eighth grade. He then attended Harlan Community High School, graduating in May of 1996. While in high school, he was the corner back for the 1995 Iowa High School championship football team. He had served as an altar boy at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, where he was a member, and was a member of the Catholic Youth Organization. He had been employed by the Omaha World Herald as a paper boy for eight years. He played town team basketball and went hunting and was involved with the Demolition Derby for many years. He was currently a student at Universal Technical Institute in Omaha, where he was studying air-conditioning and refrigeration. He died Dec. 28, 1996, at St. Joseph Hospital in Omaha, as the result of an automobile accident in Harrison County at age 19 years, five months and seven days.

Preceding him in death were his twin sisters, Joan and Jean Freund, and sister, Debra Kay Freund. He is survived by his parents, Dennis and Helen Freund of Earling; his sisters and brothers, Cindy Mages of Panama; Shirley (Jayme) Arkfeld of Panama; Rick (Tina) Freund of Earling; Kelly (Lori) Freund of Melbourne; Corey Freund of Westminster, CO; and Kari Freund of Earling; his maternal grandmother, Lucille Heller of Audubon; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was concelebrated Jan. 1, 1997, at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Earling with Rev. Chuck Kotta's celebrant. Concelebrating was Rev. Jim Wilwerding and Rev. Terence Stanton, OSB. Burial was in St. Joseph's Cemetery with Jay Rewerts, Troy Muenchrath and Jeremy Fiscus honorary casket bearers. Casket bearers were Jason Moss, Travis Bissen, Chad Bissen, Randy Heese, Mike Freund, David Mages, Danny Schiltz and Jarney Schulte. Pauley Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.