

## **Michael C. Petersen, 21**

**March 15, 1977 - July 11, 1998**

**ELDON** - Michael Christian Petersen was born March 15, 1977, in Harlan, to Michael David and Sharon Hansen Petersen. A graduate of Ottumwa High School in 1995, he attended Indian Hills Community College and was presently an employee of Al-Jon. He was involved in racing stock cars at Eldon and Bloomfield. He drowned near Selma July 11, 1998, at age 21.

Surviving are his father and stepmother, Mike and Annette Petersen of Ottumwa and his mother and stepfather, Sharon and Marty Calkins, Salix; grandparents, Jack and Loretta Petersen of Worthington, MN; Norma Petersen of Worthington, MN and Clarence T. and Burdella Hansen of Salem, SD; two sisters, Jennifer Petersen of Iowa City and Heather Slater of Shenandoah, and brother, Michael Calkins of Ames.

A funeral mass was held July 15, 1998, at St. Mary of the Visitation Church with Rev. Anthony Herold officiating. Burial was in the Ottumwa Cemetery. Reece Funeral Home, Ottumwa, in charge of arrangements.