

## Winston B. Bates, Jr., 38

*Feb. 3, 1962 - Aug. 5, 2000*

**DES MOINES** - Winston B. Bates, Jr. was born Feb. 3, 1962, in California, to Winston and Jessie Caldwell Bates. He lived in Springfield, MO 18 years and in Harlan three years before moving to Des Moines in 1986. He was in apartment management and maintenance for Sherwood Glen Apartments. He had served in the United States Army. He played bass several years in the Princemen band singing the 50's and 60's music. He died Aug. 5, 2000, at Methodist Hospital in Des Moines of massive heart failure at age 38 years, five months and two days.

He was preceded in death by his father, Winston Bates; paternal grandparents, Herman and Faye Caldwell; paternal grandparents, Berry and Sarah Bates; and stepfather, Kenny Richards. He is survived by his wife, Diane, of Wes Des Moines; three children, Kent (Deb) Sherer of East Peru; Brett (Shelly) Sherer of Springhill and Brandon (Jeannine) Sherer of Memphis, TN; his mother, Jessie Bates of Irwin; brother, Greg Bates of Harlan; sister, Suzette Bates (Jose Leal) of Harlan; five grandchildren; mother-in-law and father-in-law, Lou Gene and Mickey Ballantyne of Des Moines; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Aug. 9, 2000, at Westover Funeral Home in West Des Moines, with Elder Eldon Cunningham and Elder Wayne Marshall officiating. Honorary casket bearers were Larry Ristine, Myron Tidball, Russ Morgan, Brian Van Gundy, Mike Sundall, Kenny Johnston and John Farrell. Casket bearers were Greg Bates, Shawn Bates, Jose Leal, Brandon Sherer, Brett Sherer and Kent Sherer. Burial was in the Resthaven Cemetery in West Des Moines, with military rites conducted by the Army staff from Fort Dodge.

