The Burlington Hawk Eye, Wednesday 12 December 2007

James Michael Putnam, 55, of Burlington died Monday, Dec. 10, 2007, at Great River Medical Center.

Born Aug. 14, 1952, in Burlington, he was the son of Virginia B. and Leroy E. Putnam.

Mr. Putnam worked for Auto Body Co. as the parts and office manager. He was a 1970 graduate of Burlington High School and attended two years of college. Years ago, he was employed at a television station owned by Steve Hoth. He was a race car driver and had competed in the Formula SCCA Racing Division. He enjoyed golfing, photographing bald eagles on the Mississippi River and flying ultra-light planes.

Survivors include one son, Lee A. Putnam of Burlington; his father of Burlington; two brothers, Gary L. Putnam of Burlington and Jerry W. Putnam of Oklahoma City; one sister, Jayne L. Burritt of Knoxville, Tenn.; one niece; and four nephews.

He was preceded in death by his mother and grandmother.

A private service will be held at Lunning Chapel for the family. Friends may call from noon to 5 p.m. Wednesday in Lunning Chapel.

A memorial has been established.