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Doren Eugene Kuster, 55, of Cedar Rapids died Sunday, June 1, 2008, following a two-year fight with brain cancer.

Born and raised in Burlington, he was the son of Zach and Jeanette Kuster. On Sept. 2, 1979, he married Linda Ann Bernauer.

Mr. Kuster had a professional career in sales and management with Certain-Teed Daymond, Advanced Drainage Systems and his own business, Corridor Sales Consultants. He was a graduate of Burlington High School and the University of Iowa.

He had a beautiful singing voice, could tell a great joke, was interested in the world and was a strong, persevering, thoughtful and caring person. He could light up a room, truly loved life and did his best to be a good person and follower of Christ.

He enjoyed music, tennis, following sports -- especially the Hawkeyes, Cubs and Bears -- theatre, traveling, reading, dancing, good food and an occasional black and tan at the Irish Democrat.

Survivors include his wife; his children, Jacqueline J. Kuster of Cedar Rapids and Daniel Doren and John Paul, at home; four brothers, Dwight Kuster, Tom Kuster, Dean Kuster and Dennis Kuster; five sisters, Mary Levins, Sandra Finnegan, Karen Eickmann, Jan Hennenfent and Deborah Eastburn; and 36 nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

The family will celebrate his life from 4 to 8 p.m. today at Cedar Memorial Park Funeral Home in Cedar Rapids. The funeral Mass for Mr. Kuster will be at 11 a.m. Thursday at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Marion with luncheon to follow. Burial will be in Cedar Memorial Park Cemetery.

A memorial has been established.