

From the Wednesday, December 5, 2012 edition of the Kankakee Journal:

George A. Brinkman Jr., 52, of Bradley, died Friday (Nov. 30, 2012) at Riverside Medical Center in Kankakee. George was born July 24, 1960, in Kankakee, the son of George and LaVona (Curwick) Brinkman Sr. He worked as a security officer at Gala Lanes for 20 years. He also worked at Cornerboard as a fabricator and at BreakAway Bar in Bradley as a bartender. George Jr. was a huge Green Bay Packers fan and also loved the Chicago Cubs. In his spare time, George enjoyed shooting pool and spending time with his friends and family. He is survived by his daughter, Jessica Brinkman, of Bourbonnais; his granddaughter, Ava Morton, of Bourbonnais; one brother, Michael Daily, of Phoenix, Ariz.; and two sisters, JoAnn Mattaliano, of Alsip, and Patricia Daily, of Gardner. Also surviving are two nieces, Veronica Coffman, of Peoria, and Kina (Roger) Miller of Tyler, Texas; one nephew, Brian Bess, of Bourbonnais, and his special friends, Steve and Paula Sullivan, of Ashkum. Preceding him in death were his parents and a sister, Linda Bess. A gathering for family and friends will be from 4 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Thursday at Schreffler Life Story Funeral Homes, Bourbonnais Chapel, with Deacon Patrick Skelly officiating the prayer service. The funeral service will follow at 7:30 p.m. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the family's wishes. Please visit George's memory page at schrefflerfuneralhomes.com, where you can learn more about his life, share a favorite memory or photo, and sign the online guestbook. (Pd.)

From the Tuesday, December 4, 2012 edition of the Kankakee Journal:

George A. Brinkman Jr., of Bradley, died Friday (Nov. 30, 2012) at Riverside Medical Center, Kankakee. Arrangements are pending at Schreffler Life Story Funeral Homes, Bourbonnais Chapel.