Sivavajchaipong, Christopher A.

Christopher Albert Sivavajchaipong, 24, of Highlands Ranch died Feb. 8, 2008 in an auto accident in Los Angeles, Calif.

Christopher was born on Aug. 4, 1983 in Caro to Korbchai and Sherrie (Hoffman) Sivavajchaipong. Christopher was living in Los Angeles, Calif., where he was working as a manager for Hilton Hotels.

Chris grew up in Highlands Ranch, Colo., where he graduated as valedictorian of the class of 2001. Throughout high school Christopher was an active member of Student Senate as well as a member of The National Honor Society. Following graduation he attended The University of Denver on a full academic scholarship where he earned a bachelor's degree in hotel and resort management. While attending UD Chris was on the dean's list and a member of Senate and the Chi Phi Fraternity. Following college, Chris started his employment with Hilton Hotels at which time he relocated to Los Angeles.

Christopher is survived by his parents, Korbchai and Jenny Whaley Sivavajchaipong of Highlands Ranch, Colo.; two brothers, Kole of Lansing and Andrew of Highlands Ranch; grandmother Marguerite Hough of Owendale; numerous aunts, uncles and cousins both in the U.S. and in Thailand and many friends. Christopher was preceded in death by his mother, Sherrie (Hoffman) Sivavajchaipong; grandfathers, Albert Hoffman, George Hough; grandparents in Thailand; and cousin, Chanda DeVore.

A memorial service will be conducted on March 1, 2008 at 1 p.m. at the Gagetown Church of the Nazarene, 6609 Lincoln St., Gagetown.

In lieu of flowers The University of Denver - Department of Hotel and Resort Management has set up a scholarship fund in Christopher's name. For further information, please e-mail csivamemorial@comcast.net.