

## **Wayne R. Kropa, 33**

Laguna Hills, Calif. - Wayne Robert Kropa, 33, a former Cape resident, died Oct. 26, 2000, when the airplane he was co-piloting crashed in the mountains in California due to a malfunction of the aircraft.

He was the husband of Julie Kropa.

Mr. Kropa was born in Methuen and grew up in North Reading and Centerville. He was a graduate of Barnstable High School.

A resident of Laguna Hills, Mr. Kropa was a supervisor of airplane maintenance at the John Wayne Airport in Orange County. He was an active member of his church and a devoted father.

Besides his wife and daughter, he is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gomer Kropa of Centerville; a daughter, Robin Kropa; a sister, Susan Kropa of Meredith, N.H.; two brothers, Dr. William Kropa of Marblehead and Dale Kropa of Bedford, N.H.; and two stepdaughters, Kristen and Kaitlyn Saulman.

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