

Joshua Eugene Bernhisel Lee, 26, of Whittier, passed away Sunday, March 16, 2008, at his residence.

A native of Swain County, he was the son of Violet Bernhisel Lee of Whittier and the late Glen D. Long.

He was a construction worker, a Baptist by faith, and was a member of Wolfetown stickball team.

He is survived by his wife, Angela Esquivel; three daughters, Emma Gene Bernhisel, Olivia Mae Bernhisel and Jaylynn Kay Esquivel, all of Cherokee; two step-daughters, Kami Esquivel and Bryton Esquivel of Cherokee; and two brothers, Brandon W. Lee and Chad L. Bernhisel, both of Whittier.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m., Thursday, March 20, at Yellow Hill Baptist Church in Cherokee, with Preacher Red Bradley and Preacher Denny Crowe officiating.

Burial will be in the Church Cemetery. Members of Wolfetown stickball team will serve as pallbearers.

The body will be taken to the church at 1 p.m., Wednesday, where it will remain until the hour of the service.

Bryant-Grant Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

An online obituary is available by visiting [www.bryantgrantfuneralhome.com](http://www.bryantgrantfuneralhome.com) or [www.MeM.com](http://www.MeM.com).

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