Rehoboth cyclist 1/7/82 dies in accident

Joseph E. Ryder, 20, of 225 County St., Rehoboth, was killed in a motorcycle accident Monday on Prudence Island in Narragansett Bay while visiting his brother.

A 1980 graduate of Dighton-Rehoboth High School, he was a member of the D-R hockey team during his senior year and was named all-conference center. He was a former Little League player and was a member of the Rehoboth Babe Ruth Baseball Association.

Born in Providence, he was the son of Richard F. and Barbara (DeFontes) Ryder of Rehoboth and the grandson of John and Anne (Flynn) DeFontes of Port Charlotte, Fla.

In addition to his parents and maternal grandparents, he is survived by two brothers, John A. of Prudence Island, Jeffrey F. of Rehoboth and two sisters, Julie A. and Jennifer L., both of Rehoboth.