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## Darrell Perkins

HOUSTON -- A memorial service for Darrell Perkins, 46, of Houston was held at 6 p.m. Monday, March 24, 2003, in the Abundant Life UMC in Clear Lake.

Mr. Perkins died Friday, March 21, at his residence following a four-year battle with leukemia.

He was born Feb. 27, 1957 in Houston and grew up in Virginia Beach, Va. He spent his teen years in Trinity, where he graduated from Trinity High School in 1976. During his adult years, he resided in and around Houston.

Known as a quiet man, Mr. Perkins was skilled in woodworking and stained glass production. He earned a masters degree in industrial technology from Sam Houston State University in Huntsville and moved to Houston to begin a teaching career. He met his wife of 13 years while teaching at Seabrook Intermediate School.

Mr. Perkins touched the lives of hundreds of students while working as a public school shop teacher for 21 years and as a volunteer teacher at Westminster Academy for two years.

He was preceded in death by his father, Bobby Perkins in 1992.

Survivors include his wife, Brenda; two sons, Matthew Perkins and Bobby Perkins, both of Houston; his mother, Susie Perkins of Waco; a sister and brother-in-law, Toni and Richard Kaska of Waco; and four nieces and nephews.

Kelsey, Kortni and Kerby, all of West.

The family has asked that memorial contributions be made to the Darrell Perkins Memorial Fund, Gulf Coast Educators' Federal Credit Union, 1120 W. Main St., League City, Texas 77523, attention Kyle Ford.