Former GC trainer Hyder is dead at 37

George Hyder, who provided motivational training for Gordon Central High School cheerleaders before becoming involved in a controversy over allegedly assaulting one of the cheerleaders, has died at age 37.

The memorial service for the Acworth man, who died last Wednesday at Northside Hospital from a cerebral hemorrhage, was 2 p.m. Monday at McDougald Funeral Home, Anderson, S.C.

Hyder was owner of Steel Ballet, an Atlanta-based personal training and fitness company specializing in military-style drill exercises.

During one of his sessions at Gordon Central, Hyder was accused of physically assaulting one of the cheerleaders. A grand jury later no-billed the case.

Survivors include his wife, Sandy P. Hyder of Acworth, and his father, George Espey Hyder Sr. of Anderson.