Liane Marie Jepsen

She was a member of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association and Union Park Christian Church/Disciples of Christ in Des Moines. She served as counselor each summer for seven years at the Disciples Christian Conference Center near Newton. For the past 20 years she has been an active member of the United Church of Christ-Congregational in Grinnell where she sang in the choir and was a member of its board of trustees.

She is survived by her parents, Phillip and Eloise Jepsen of Des Moines; one sister, Kathryn Wilson of Ottumwa, nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by one brother, David.

Liane Marie Jepsen, 44, of Grinnell died Sunday, Sept. 3, 2006, at Iowa Methodist Medical Center in Des Moines after a two-year struggle with cancer.

A celebration of life service will be held Sunday, Sept. 17, at 2 p.m. at the United Church of Christ-Congregational in Grinnell. Visitation and refreshments will follow. Her body has been cremated and a private interment service will be held at a later date at Highland Memory Gardens in Des Moines. Memorial contributions may be made to Stewart Library of which she was an avid user. Arrangements are being handled by Hamilton’s Funeral Home in Des Moines.

She was born July 15, 1962, in Des Moines, the daughter of Phillip and Eloise Jepsen. She was a graduate of North High School in Des Moines who received a degree in speech and language pathology from the University of Northern Iowa in Cedar Falls after which she received the master of arts degree, also from the University of Northern Iowa. She was employed first by the area education agency in Osceola and more recently with Area Education Agency 267 in Grinnell, working with preschool-age and school-age children.