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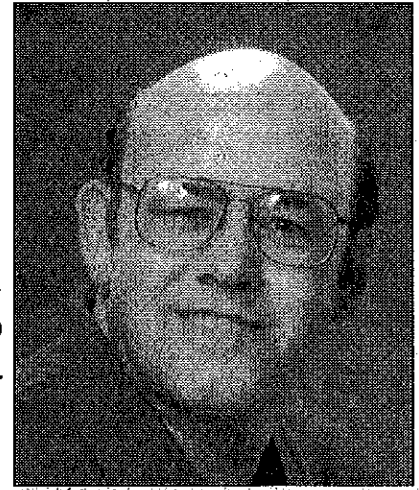
Jerry Blain, 61, of Newton died Saturday, March 5, 2011, at Iowa Methodist Medical Center in Des Moines. He is survived by his wife Vickie Meldrem Blain of Newton, and their children Summer Guy of Newton and T.J. Blain of Oskaloosa.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, March 9, at the Wallace Family Funeral Home in Newton. The family will greet friends at the funeral home from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Tuesday evening.

Burial will be in Newton Union Cemetery, and memorials to the Dialysis Unit at Skiff Medical Center may be left at the Wallace Family Funeral Home in Newton, which is charge of the arrangements.

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Jerry Blain, 61, of Newton died Saturday, March 5, 2011, at Iowa Methodist Medical Center in Des Moines. Funeral Services were held Wednesday, March 9, at the Wallace Family Funeral Home in Newton, and burial was planned for Newton Union Cemetery.

Memorials to the dialysis unit at Skiff Medical Center may be left at the funeral home.

He was born in Oskaloosa Oct. 31, 1949, to Don and Mary Arganbright Blain. He graduated from Keota High School in 1968, and later graduated from the Culinary School at Indian Hills Community College in Ottumwa. On Nov. 7, 1970, he was united in marriage with Vickie Meldrem in Grinnell. They have lived in Newton since 1977.

He was a chef at Cuevo de Fuego at the Terrace Inn in Newton, then opened Little Anthony's at the Newton Inn. He later worked at the Maytag factory for 20 years, retiring in 2003. He and his wife had also done catering in the area.

He enjoyed rock-n-roll music, western movies, cars, kite-flying and cooking, and was a devoted dad and grandpa. He was a member of the Izaak Walton League and the UAW Local 997.

He is survived by his wife Vickie Blain of Newton; his daughter Summer Guy of Newton and son T.J. Blain of Oskaloosa; three grandchildren; a brother, Joe Blain of Fairfield; half-sister Theresa Blain and half-brother Mark Blain; and many in-laws and relations.

He was preceded in death by his parents, and a sister Donna Sue Blain.