Dennis K. Jansma



Dennis L. (DJ) Jansma, 43, of Newton, died Friday, Feb. 3, 2006, in Monarch Wing of Skiff Medical Center in Newton.

A funeral service will be held Wednesday, Feb. 8, at 2:30 p.m. at St. Luke United Methodist Church in Newton. Officiating will be the Rev. Linda Butler, pastor of the church, and Chaplain Merle Smith. Friends may call Tuesday after 3 p.m. at Wallace Family Funeral Home where family members will be present from 5 to 8 p.m. Memorials may be made to Hospice of Jasper County or St. Luke United Methodist Church.

He was born May 4, 1962, in Morrison, Ill., the son of Orville (OJ) and Denise Rick Jansma. He grew up in Clinton where he graduated from Clinton High School. He was a 1984 graduate of Central College in Pella. He was married June 21, 1986, in Pella to Janet L. Holland. He was director of finance in the Department of Finance of the Maytag Company for 16 years. He was a member of St. Luke United Methodist Church, Maytag Management Club and Habitat for Humanity. He enjoyed woodworking, playing golf and coaching his children's activities.

He is survived by his wife Janet of Newton; two sons, Greg Jansma and Brad Jansma of Newton; one daughter Katie Jansma of Newton; his mother Denise Jansma-Garlough of Port Byron, Ill., and two brothers, Dan Jansma of Low Moore, Iowa, and Darrin Jansma of Bettendorf. He was preceded in death by his father and his maternal and paternal grandparents.