

David Jensen, 49

Sept. 21, 1954 - Feb. 3, 2004

PORTSMOUTH — David Roger Jensen, the son of Donald Robert and Darlene Ann Kelly Jensen, was born Sept. 21, 1954, at Jennie Edmundson Hospital in Council Bluffs. He was baptized at the Broadway Christian Church in Council Bluffs, and confirmed at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Harlan. David attended school at Franklin Elementary School in Council Bluffs. The family then moved to Wilmington, CA when David was eight where he attended Gulf Avenue School and later graduated from Phinneas Banning High School in 1973. After graduation, he attended L.A. Harbor College and was a P.H.C.C. apprentice. After his schooling, he returned to Iowa where he bought an acreage and helped out on a neighbor's farm. Dave also worked as a custodian at the Logan Church of Latter Day Saints.



April 12, 1985, David married Connie Lou Hoch at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Harlan. Together they raised two children, Tara and Ryan. In 1994, he went to work for Coast to Coast (later Do It Best Hardware) in Harlan and worked there until his retirement in 2003 due to his illness. David died at his home, surrounded by his family, Feb. 3, 2004, at age 49 years, four months and 12 days.

He was preceded in death by his paternal grandparents, Robert and Freda Jensen, and his maternal grandfather, Lester LeVier. Survivors include his wife, Connie of Portsmouth; his children, Tara (Brian) Bork of St. Ansgar and Ryan Jensen of Kansas City, MO; his grandchildren, Nicholas and Lauren Bork; his parents, Donald and Darlene of Wilmington, CA; one sister, Donnetta (Ross) Horney of Huntington Beach, CA; his grandmother, Naomi LeVier of Lomita, CA; and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held Feb. 6, 2004, at St. Michael's Catholic Church with Rev. Robert Hoefler celebrant. Honorary casket bearers were Bob Reis, Mark Reis, Lori Hlavac, Anne Pauley, Tim Reis and Sue Josefson. Casket bearers were Kevin Hlavac, Bill Bruck, Dan Josefson, Marty Calkins, Travis Rust and Wes Clay. Burial was held Feb. 7, 2004, at St. Ansgar Cemetery in St. Ansgar. Pauley Jones Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.