Dr. Theophil "Ted" Andrew Jantz III, 46, of Glendale, Ariz., passed away suddenly Thursday, Aug. 16, 2012.

He was born Dec. 28, 1965, in Bad Axe, the son of Theophil II and Geraldine (Hoppe) Jantz. He was a member of the National Honor Society and Gold Key Society in both high school and college. He attended and graduated from Michigan State University, earning his degree from the School of Osteopathic Medicine and became board-certified as a general surgeon. He continued his internship at Butterworth Hospital in Grand Rapids.

His first position as a physician began at Wood County Hospital in Bowling Green, Ohio, where he worked until 2005. He then moved to Fort Bragg, Calif. and worked at Mendocino County Hospital until 2008. In 2008, he continued his medical profession in Phoenix, Ariz., where he was currently residing.

He volunteered in nursing homes, assisted college professors with cancer research and also worked a great deal in the research of heart disease. He presented several lectures at medical conventions, as well as taught other physicians about pharmaceuticals.

He had a great love for history, visiting museums, enjoyed reading, exploring and traveling.

He is survived by his mother, Geraldine Jantz of Gladwin; sister, Tammy (Paul) Childs of Middlebury, Ind.; three godchildren; nephews, Cameron, Nathan and Ryan Childs of Middlebury, Ind.; several aunts, uncles and cousins; and two great-uncles.

He is preceded in death by his father, Theophil A. Jantz II; and his grandparents.

Funeral Services will be conducted at 11 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 30, at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Gladwin.

Visitation will be conducted from 4 to 9 p.m. Wednesday at Hall-Kokotovich Funeral Home in Gladwin and from 10 a.m. until the time of service Thursday at the church.

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