

FIRST AMERICAN CORP  
Form 8-K  
January 04, 2006

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**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**WASHINGTON, DC 20549**

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**FORM 8-K**

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**CURRENT REPORT**

**PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE**  
**SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

Date of Report (Date of Earliest Event Reported)

January 3, 2006

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**THE FIRST AMERICAN CORPORATION**

(Exact Name of the Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

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**California**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation or organization)

**001-13585**  
(Commission File No.)

**95- 1068610**  
(I.R.S. Employee  
Identification No.)

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**1 First American Way, Santa Ana, California 92707-5913**

**(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)**

**(714) 800-3000**

**(Registrant's Telephone Number including Area Code)**

**Not Applicable**

**(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)**

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  - .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers**

We regret to announce that Thomas A. Klemens, the corporation's chief financial officer, passed away on January 3, 2006. A related press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

| <u>Exhibit No.</u> | <u>Description</u> |
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| 99.1               | Press Release.     |

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, hereunto duly authorized.

THE FIRST AMERICAN CORPORATION

Dated: January 3, 2006

By: /s/ Parker S. Kennedy  
Name: Parker S. Kennedy

Title: Chairman and Chief Executive Officer