ISU Extension is unable to give you direct company information, as that would create a bias for some companies and against other companies. But there is a way to get specific company information that will give every company 'equal footing'.

For a person to treat your ash tree for the emerald ash borer (EAB), they have to be certified with the Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship - Pesticide Bureau. To treat trees commercially, they need to have a valid/active category 30 or 30T certification. Otherwise they are making the treatment against state law.

You can go to the IDALS – Pesticide Bureau website to get a list of companies who could do an EAB treatment that are registered in your county. Follow the process below:

- Go to IDALS Pesticide Bureau website: http://www.iowaagriculture.gov/pesticides.asp
- On left center, there is a heading “Pesticide Databases”
- Choose “Licensed Commercial Pesticide Applicator Company”
- Choose the last option, “Search by Business City/State/Zip
- Enter ‘(your county name)’ in the county field, and click the drop down menu to select ‘Commercial Applicator’ – Click “Search for one of these criteria”
- You will get a list of companies for all commercial categories. You’ll need to go through the likely ones, e.g., _____ Lawn & Landscape, or _____ Tree Service, to see if a current/active applicator has category 30 or 30T certifications. The company phone number is given for each business as well as the applicator names and certification numbers.
- It is not a given that a company will do EAB treatments, so you will need to make a list of prospective companies to call and to find out if have they done EAB treatment types before (trunk injection, soil injection, soil drench, or basal trunk spray).
- We do encourage people to get at least 2 bids (3 if you live in a larger city) for the same type of treatment.

A person can also do an Internet search for tree care, arborist companies, and related. Again, make sure the companies you call are experienced at doing the type of treatments required for EAB

Some companies in Des Moines, Cedar Rapids, Waterloo, Quad Cities, etc. may drive to outlying towns if they have one or more customers in your town. The Master Gardeners in your county may have a list in the Extension office for folks to sign up for EAB treatments.

AND, it is possible that you could treat your own ash tree(s) if they are smaller than 20" diameter (60" circumference).