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Helen G. Atz Macklin, 99, Swiss Village, Berne, died there Friday night. She was married to a former Portland resident.

Born to Levi and Lillian (Ashbaucher) Atz on Jan. 9, 1905 in Adams County, she married Paul Macklin on Dec. 24, 1959, in Berne. He died in 1968.

A graduate of Ball State University, she taught fourth grade in Berne for 35 years. She was also a Sunday school teacher and wrote a weekly column for the Berne Tri-Weekly newspaper entitled, "It Happened in Adams County".

She was a member of the Cross United Church of Christ, Berne, and the Adams County Audubon Club.

Surviving are one stepson; two stepdaughters; four stepgrandchildren; 10 stepgreatgrandchildren; five nieces and nephews; 21 great-nieces and great-nephews; and 64 great-great-nieces and great-great-nephews.

Services are Tuesday at 2 p.m. at Cross United Church of Christ, Berne, with the Rev. Randall Luther officiating. Burial will follow in M.R.E. Cemetery, Berne.

Visitation is today from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Swiss Village Chapel, Berne, and Tuesday one hour prior to services at the church.

Memorials may be made to the Cross United Church of Christ Missions, Berne.

Yager-Kirchhofer Funeral Home of Berne is in charge of the arrangements.