



Odus A. Marchal age 88, former rural Portland resident passed away early Thursday morning in Persimmon Ridge Healthcare. He was born in Versailles, Ohio April 23, 1921 the son of Nicholas and Tracy (Barga) Marchal. He was married June 16, 1945 to Esther Braun who survives. He served in the Pacific with the U.S. Army during WW II. He was a retired Noble Twp. dairy farmer, worked for Jay County Highway Dept. for nine years, clerked for Loy's Sale Barn for fifteen years and worked at True Value in Portland for thirteen years. He also trucked grain, livestock, fertilizer and milk. He was a

member of Immaculate Conception Catholic Church since 1950 and was an usher, Eucharist minister and mass server, past president of Holy Name Society, worked bingo for thirty two years, American Legion Post 345 in Ft. Recovery and Salamonia V.F.W. Post 2840, Portland Moose Lodge, Tri State Gas engine and Tractor Association and Jay County Fair Board.

Surviving are his wife Esther, Two sons Larry Marchal (wife: Winifred) of Portland and Mike Marchal (wife: Deanna) of Portland, Two daughters Mary Ann Mangen of Amhurst, Wi., and Mrs. Mike (Theresa) Baucher of Celina, Ohio. Eleven grandchildren and four great grandchildren Two infant sons preceded in death Thomas and Donald. Also surviving are three special nieces and several great nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be Monday at 10:00 A.M. in the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church with Fr. Robert Moran presiding. Burial will follow in the Holy Trinity Catholic Church with military rites by Ft. Recovery American Legion. Visitation will be Sunday from 1:00 - 4:00 P.M. in the Baird-Freeman Funeral Home in Portland. Memorials can be made to Masses or State of the Heart Home Health and Hospice.

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