

The following obituary is being republished to provide additional information.

Frank Cline

Longtime educator and historian Frank E. Cline, 92, 5413 East 200 South, Portland, died early Monday at AmeriCare Living Center in Portland.

Born on June 26, 1913, in Knox Township in Jay County, he was the son Clarel E. and Lulu Iris (Arnold) Cline.

A 1932 graduate of Portland High School, he earned bachelor's and master's degrees from Ball State Teacher's College in Muncie.

He married Leona M. Warnock on Aug. 22, 1936. She survives.

Frank Cline began teaching in one-room schools at Rathbun, Bluff Point, Zoar and Oak Grove, taught sixth grade at Garfield for two years and taught for 25 years in Pennville. He also served as a history teacher at East Jay Junior High, retiring in 1976 after 37 years in Jay County classrooms.

While teaching at Pennville, he was sponsor of the Pennville Junior State Historical Society, which was the first junior historical society in Indiana.

He was a charter member of the Portland Breakfast Optimist Club, where he had been named Optimist of the Year and had received the Outstanding Educator Award. He was a member of the National Education Society, the Jay County Retired Teachers Association, the Jay County Historical Society, Gideon's International and Trinity United Methodist Church. He was also a 50-year member of the Portland IOOF Lodge.

Other survivors include four sons, Robert Eugene Cline, Fort Wayne, Floyd Earl Cline, Lloyd Everett Cline and Paul Edward Cline, all of Portland, 11 grandchildren and several great-grandchildren.

Services are Thursday at 11 a.m. in the Portland Chapel of the Williamson and Spencer Funeral Home with Pastor Roger Domingo officiating. Burial will be in Salamonica Cemetery.

Visitation is Wednesday from 3 to 8 p.m. at the funeral home.

Memorials may be sent to Trinity United Methodist Church or to Gideon's International with envelopes available at the funeral home.

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