

Robert V. Avey, 93
of Persimmon Ridge Portland
June 12, 1918-Oct. 16, 2011

Services for Robert V. Avey, 93, are Thursday at 11 a.m. at Williamson and Spencer Funeral Home in Portland with Dave Peters officiating. A former resident of Greene Township in Jay County, he died Sunday at Persimmon Ridge in Portland. Born in Jay County to Haws and Mae (Alexander) Avey, he graduated from Poling High School in 1935 and also from Tech School in Kansas City, Mo. He was preceded in death on Aug. 18, 1999, by his wife Berenice (McClintock) Avey whom he married on April 19, 1942. A longtime farmer, he had also worked as an engineer for Channel 33 in Fort Wayne for 32 years. Memberships include Jay County Amateur Radio Club, Jay County Historical Society and a life member of Tri-State Gas Engine and Tractor Association. He is survived by four granddaughters; 10 great-grandchildren and four great-great-grandchildren. Visitation is Wednesday from 3 to 7 p.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be in the I.O.O.F. Twin Hill Cemetery in Pennville. Memorials may be sent to State of the Heart Hospice or Tri-State Gas Engine and Tractor Association Memorial Fund.

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