

Charles D. Butcher, 67, 5430 Maumee Road, Lot 66, Fort Wayne, a native of Jay County, died early today at Parkview Memorial Hospital after an illness of four months.

He retired from Kenosha Auto Transport after 30 years of service. In 1975, he won the safety award for 25 years of safe driving.

Born in Bryant on Feb. 23, 1915, he was the son of Edward and Cecil M (Steen) Butcher. He was married on May 1, 1959, to Anna Arms. He was a member of the Portland Moose Lodge.

Surviving are his wife Anna; two sons, Charles David and Donford (Donnie) Butcher, Portland; a daughter, Mrs. Lonnie (Carolyn) Hough, Fort Wayne, and Mrs. George (Delores) Meehan, Portland; a step-daughter, Mrs. William (June) Green, Seward, Neb.; 14 grandchildren; three step-grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Services are Saturday at 1:30 p.m. at the Baird-Freeman Funeral Home in Portland with Rev. Kenneth Brown officiating. Burial will follow in the Union Chapel Cemetery. Friends may call at the funeral home on Friday from 2 to 5 and 7 to 9 p.m.

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