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William A. "Bill" Imel, 82, of Portland died Monday evening, Feb. 20, 2006, at Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Mr. Imel worked for Portland Ready Mix and Hubbard Milling, both of Portland, and retired from Gripco of Montpelier. Also, he served in the U.S. Army and retired Nov. 1, 1963, after 20 years.

He was a member of Portland American Legion Post #211, the Portland D.A.V. and the V.F.W. of Kendallville.

Born June 18, 1923, in Jay County, he was the son of Russell G. and Marie (Harness) Imel.

Survivors include a son, John H. Imel of St. Petersburg, Fla.; a sister, Regana E. Galloway of Bradenton, Fla.; two brothers, Carl R. Imel and Gene F. Imel, both of rural Portland; and a granddaughter, Jenny Milligan of Bluffton.

Services are at 7 p.m. Friday in the Portland Chapel of Williamson & Spencer Funeral Home with Pastor Hugh Kelly officiating. Cremation will follow and burial of the cremains will be in Antioch Cemetery, southeast of Portland, at the convenience of the family.

Calling is from 2 p.m. until the time of services at 7 p.m. Friday at the funeral home. The Portland American Legion will be in charge of military rites.

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