Martha J. Kohler, age 91, a resident of Persimmon Ridge of Portland, passed away on Saturday, April 3, 2010, at Persimmon Ridge in Portland. Martha was born on October 9, 1918, in Jay County, Indiana, the daughter of Frank and Nora Edna (Geeseman) Whipple. She attended Poling High School. She's a former employee of the Jay Garment Corporation in Portland for 12 years and retired from CTS in Berne after being employed there for 16 years. She married James Kohler on January 31, 1938, and he preceded her in death on May 16, 1999.

Survivors include:

1 son: Art Kohler – rural Portland, Indiana

1 daughter: Marjorie Imel (husband Gene) – rural Portland, Indiana

1 sister: Pauline Myron – Portland, Indiana

6 grandchildren, 12 great grandchildren and 9 great-great grandchildren

Visitation for Martha Kohler will be held on Tuesday from 4-7 p.m. in the Portland Chapel of the Williamson and Spencer Funeral Home.

Funeral services will be held on Wednesday at 11 a.m. in the Portland Chapel of the Williamson and Spencer Funeral Home. Pastor Jeff Horsman will officiate and burial will follow in the Gravel Hill Cemetery, west of Bryant, Indiana.

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