

William H. "Bill" Fifer, age 82, a resident of Portland, passed away on Monday, November 16, 2009, following a brief illness. Bill was born on May 29, 1927, in Kalamazoo, Michigan, the son of Dewitt C. and Corinna (Miller) Fifer. He was a veteran of the United States Marines serving in China. Bill married Helen E. Stover on December 6, 1947. Bill was a 30 year employee of Sheller Globe in Portland retiring in 1977. He was a member of the Cornerstone Baptist Church of Portland, the American Legion Post #211 of Portland, Moose Lodge of Portland and the VFW in Salamonia.

Survivors include:

His wife of 61 years: Helen Fifer – Portland, Indiana

1 son: Gary W. Fifer – Muncie, Indiana

1 daughter: Evelyn K. Espy – Huntington, Indiana

1 brother: Cecil Fifer (wife Shirley) – Salem, Oregon

2 sisters: Estella Carballo – Port St. Lucie, Florida

Zola Rankin (husband Gary) – Summitville, Indiana

2 grandsons and 5 great grandchildren

Several nieces and nephews

Funeral services for Bill Fifer will be held on Saturday, November 21, 2009, at 11 a.m. in the Portland Chapel of the Williamson and Spencer Funeral Home.

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