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Jennings Imel, 83, Operated Grocery

Portland - Jennings Imel, 83, 1254 W. Main St., died Sunday night at the Bluffton Clinic Hospital.

Mr. Imel and his recently-deceased brother, Leonard, operated a grocery store on Main Street for 45 years. He was a past president of the Jay County Fair Board, served two terms as Wayne Township assessor and was a veteran of World War I. He was also a member of the Portland American Legion Post 211 and the Elks and Moose lodges.

Survivors include his wife, Opal; a son, Lawrence Jack Imel, Kanoaga Park, Calif., a producer for the Lawrence Welk television show; four brothers, George, Portsmouth, Va., Thomas, Fort Recovery, Ohio, and Leroy and Harry, both of Portland.

Funeral services will be at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Baird-Freeman Funeral Home. Rev. J. Robert Coover and Rev. Morgan Roberts will officiate.

Burial will be in Green Park Cemetery. Friends may call at the funeral home after noon Tuesday.