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WENDELL KLOPFENSTEIN, 75, of Hypoluxo, Fla., formerly of Portland, died Tuesday at John F. Kennedy Hospital, Palm Beach, Fla. Born in Grabill, he was the co-owner and operator of Klopfenstein Hardware in Portland for 30 years, vice president of support services at Goshen Hospital for six years and sales manager at Terra Transit Division of Turtle Tops Inc. for nine years. He was a World War II Navy veteran and served 20 years in the Naval Reserve. He was the past president of the Jaycees and of Portland Rotary Club. Surviving are his wife, Mary Ann; a son, James S. of Bloomington; a daughter, Jane Walsh of Boynton Beach, Fla.; and four grandchildren. Services at 10 a.m. Saturday at Baird-Freeman Funeral Home, Portland. Calling from 4 to 8 p.m. Friday. Burial in Green Park Cemetery, Portland. Memorials to Jay County Cancer Society or Jay County Heart Fund.

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