

Russell M. Rupe, 77, 703 E. Walnut St., Portland, died unexpectedly Tuesday morning at the Jay County Hospital after suffering a heart attack Monday evening.

Born Dec. 8, 1901 in Jay County, he was the son of Martin and Amanda E. (Brown) Rupe. He was married Dec. 18, 1920 to Inez Walter who survives. A retired farmer, Rupe was a member of the Portland Moose Lodge, Portland Grange and the Jay County Farm Bureau Association.

Surviving besides his wife are two sons, Melvin W. Rupe and Elmer L. Rupe, both of Portland; two brothers, Lawrence Rupe, Detroit, Mich., and Carl Rupe, Portland; three sisters, Mrs. Hiram (Cora) Millsap, Mt. Ayr, Iowa, Mrs. Virgil (Alta) Wichersham, Portland, and Mrs. Lula Funk, Portland; seven grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Services are set for 1 pm Friday at the Williamson and Spencer Funeral Home with Rev. Linwood Doane officiating. Burial will be in Green Park Cemetery.

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