

James Smitley

08/22/1935-01/16/2016

James Smitley, age 80, 610 East 700 South, Portland passed away Saturday in Ambassador Healthcare in Centerville. He was born in Fort Wayne August 22, 1935 the son of Harold and Fern (Ireland) Smitley. He was married April 4, 1954 to Sharon Ickes who survives. He was owner and operator of Portland Tire Center before retirement. He had also worked for Bone and Smitley Milk Haulers. He was a a member of Jay Lodge #87 F&AM. He served with the National Guard for eighteen years.

Surviving are his wife Sharon, two sons Steve Smitley (wife Norma) of Richmond and Mike Smitley of Cadiz, KY., two brothers Dr. Richard Smitley of Washington State and Charles Smitley of Fort Wayne, one sister Carolyn Jane Hathaway of Indianapolis, four grandchildren and six great grandchildren

Funeral services will be Wednesday at 2:00 P.M. In the Baird-Freeman Funeral Home with burial to follow in the Green Park Cemetery. Visitation will be Wednesday from 1:00 – 2:00 P.M. Memorials can be made to Shrine Children's Hospital.

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