

## **News-Sentinel, The (Fort Wayne, IN) - Tuesday, February 29, 2000**

Fern Smitley Myers

Dunkirk - 1909-2000

Fern Smitley Myers, 90, of Dunkirk and formerly of Portland, died Sunday, Feb. 27, 2000, at Miller's Merry Manor.

The Van Wert, Ohio, native was co-owner and co-operator of Smitley's Market in Portland, had worked for Loy Realty of Portland, was a member of Trinity United Methodist Church where she taught Sunday school for several years, and was a longtime member of Do-A-Lot Home Demonstration Club of Portland.

Surviving are sons Dr. Richard E. of Ridgefield, Wash., Charles E. of Fort Wayne, and James L. of Portland; a stepson, William V. Myers of Ooltewah, Tenn.; a daughter, Carolyn J. Hathaway of Indianapolis; stepdaughters Joyce Davis of Charlotte, N.C., Wanda Goodman of Gaffney, S.C., and Helen Bantz of Muncie; 18 grandchildren; several great-grandchildren; and four great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her first husband, Harold E. Smitley, her second husband, Leon V. Myers, and a daughter, Martha Loy.

Services are 11 a.m. Thursday at Trinity United Methodist Church, Portland, with calling one hour before services. Calling is also from 3 to 8 p.m. Wednesday at Williamson & Spencer Funeral Homes, Portland. Burial will be in Green Park Cemetery, Portland.

Memorials are to the church.

Information provided by Williamson & Spencer Funeral Homes, Portland, 1-219-726-7111.

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