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Gerald D. Thornton, 94, 1933 West Tyson Road, Portland, died Monday at AmeriCare Living Center of Portland.

Born Oct. 4, 1911, in Jay County, to John and Jennie (Williamson) Thornton, he married Ina Miller on Oct. 6, 1934. She died on Dec. 26, 1966. He later married Charleen Moyer on July 25, 1977. She died on Sept. 17, 1992.

He was self-employed in construction for more than 30 years and was a lifetime member of the Moose Lodge and the Eagles Lodge, both of Portland.

Survivors include a stepson, Dale L. Moyer, Alexandria, Va.; two stepdaughters, Mrs. Michael (Dorothy Jean) McDowell, Warsaw, and Mrs. Alden (Velma Lou) Daigle, New Port Richey, Fla.; four grandsons; 16 great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Services are Thursday at 11 a.m. in the Portland Chapel of the Williamson and Spencer Funeral Home with Dale Moyer officiating. Burial will be in the Green Park Cemetery.

Visitation is Wednesday from 4 to 8 p.m. at the funeral home.

Contributed by Jane Edson