

## **News-Sentinel, The (Fort Wayne, IN) - Sunday, February 5, 2006**

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ESTHER GRADY, 90, formerly of Portland, died Friday, Feb. 3, 2006, at Visiting Nurse & Hospice Care Home, Fort Wayne. Born July 7, 1915, in Dunkirk, Ind., she was the daughter of Austin Jerome and Clam Anna (Jackson) Martz. She was married Oct. 7, 1933, to Jerome Grady, and he died Aug. 27, 1957. She began working in 1955 as a nurses aid at the Jay County Hospital. She was a member of Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, Rosary Sodality, Gold Card Club, Women of the Moose, where she had been senior regent and Eagles Lodge, where she had been district director. Survived by sons, Jerome Grady of Fort Wayne and Jack Grady of Portland; daughter, Darlene Harker of Tennessee; seven grandchildren; and ten great-grandchildren. Funeral service is 10:30 a.m. Tuesday at Baird-Freeman Funeral Home, Portland. Fr. Marty Sandhage presiding. Calling is from 3 to 7 p.m. Monday, with Women of the Moose ceremony at 5 p.m. and wake service at 7 p.m. Burial will follow service at Hillcrest Cemetery, Redkey, Ind. Memorials to Visiting Nurse & Hospice Care Home, Fort Wayne.

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