

## **Commercial Review, The (Portland, IN) - Wednesday, January 3, 2007**

Murl McClain, 76, 3107 North Ind. 1, Pennville, died Saturday at his home.

Born in Geneva on May 20, 1930, to John and Minnie (Fox) McClain, he was first married to Ruth Hall who died in 1959 and Lynn Walker who died in 1976. He was married June 19, 1986, to Betty Ward Walker, who survives.

A U.S. Army veteran serving during the Korean War, he also served in the Indiana National Guard from 1948 until 1953.

He retired from Delco Battery in Muncie after 40 years and was a member of the American Legion in Indianapolis.

Surviving besides his wife are four daughters, Mrs. Paul (Vickie) Garrison, Daleville, Mrs. Kent (Joyce) Younts and Zarada McClain, both of Portland, and Mrs. Joe (Babbette) Sargent, Dunkirk; three stepdaughters, Mrs. Stephen (Kathy) Lewis, Oklahoma, Mrs. Gary (Kelly) Myers, Texas, and Lisa Silvas, Portland; a stepson, Kevin Walker, California; his twin brother, Earl McClain, Fort Wayne; 10 grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; 10 stepgrandchildren and 11 stepgreat-grandchildren.

Services are Friday at 1 p.m. in the Baird-Freeman Funeral Home with Pastor Larry Eads officiating. Burial will be in Hillcrest Cemetery in Redkey.

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

Memorials may be sent to State of the Heart Home Health and Hospice.

**Contributed by Jane Edson**