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John Whitacre

Nov. 20, 1921-April 13, 2009

John W. Whitacre, 87, Redkey, died Monday at Persimmon Ridge in Portland.

Born in Portland to Samuel Albert and Lela Myrtle (Bond) Whitacre, he was preceded in death by his first wife Mary E. (Driskill) Whitacre and his second wife, Anita Mae Taflinger Whitacre.

A member of Redkey United Methodist Church, he was a former Redkey Town Board member and past president of Redkey Lions Club.

He had worked as an electrician at CTS in Berne.

Survivors include three daughters, Linda F. Pierce, Pennville, Mrs. Raymond (Lana J.) Ellingwood and Mrs. Jack (Nancie L.) Miller, both of Redkey; two stepdaughters, Mrs. Larry (Karan) Baugher, Redkey, and Mrs. John (Sally) Carter, Eaton; a stepson, Grant Taflinger, Albany, two brothers, Fred Whitacre, Russiaville, and Ollis Whitacre, Decatur; 17 grandchildren; 26 great-grandchildren; seven great-great-grandchildren; one great-great-great-grandchild and several nieces and nephews.

Services are Friday at 11 a.m. at MJS Mortuaries Redkey Chapel with Pastors Joe Hines and Richard Thompson officiating. Burial will be in Hillcrest Cemetery in Redkey.

Visitation is Thursday from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. at the funeral home.

Contributed by Jane Edson