

Ray F. Greaf, 611 W. Walnut St., Portland, a former Wayne Township Trustee, died early today at his home following a long illness. He was 87.

A 1964 graduate of Ball State University, Greaf was a retired elementary school teacher. He also worked for Prudential Insurance Co. for 50 years and was a brokerage agent. He had also served as Wayne Township Trustee.

Born March 1, 1905, in Pike Township, he was the son of George and Filena (Bickel) Greaf. He was married Dec. 21, 1929, to Madonna Whitenack, who survives.

Greaf was a member of the Asbury United Methodist Church, the Morning Optimist Club, Jay Lodge No. 87 F&AM, Portland Elks Lodge, Scottish Rite and Shrine of Fort Wayne and was a former president of the Jay County Historical Society.

Surviving besides his wife are one daughter, Linda Graef, Fort Wayne; one sister, Mrs. Arlie (Zelpha) Sheffer, Winchester, and several nieces and nephews.

Services are set for 10 am Thursday in the Baird-Freeman Funeral Home with the Rev. Gerald Hewson officiating. Burial will be in the Salamonia Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Jay County Cancer Society or to the Asbury United Methodist Church.

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