

## **OBITUARY:**

"Ray E. Platt, who for decades was one of Pennville's most prominent businessmen and a former fire chief, died Saturday at Miller's Merry Manor Nursing Home in Dunkirk. He was 89. A resident of 201 South St. in Pennville, Platt worked at Sheller-Globe Corp. in Portland from 1932 to 1945 and then from 1945 until his retirement in 1977, he owned and operated Platt's IGA Grocery in Pennville. He also owned and operated Platt's Car Wash there for several years. Platt was a charter member of the Pennville Volunteer Fire Department and serviced as its chief for 15 years. He was a member of the Pennville United Methodist Church, was a charter member of the Pennville Lions Club, a 50-year member of the Pennville Masonic Lodge, a member of the Scottish Rite and Mizpah Shrine, both of Fort Wayne, Born Jan. 27, 1912 in Van Wert, Ohio, he was the son of Jacob and Nellie (Shreeve) Platt. He was married in 1932 to Kathaleen Fulkerson, who survives. Surviving besides his wife are one daughter, Mrs. Fred (Barbara) Kellogg, Pennville; four sisters, Norma Barger, Santa Monica, Calif., Mrs. Roy (Mary Catharine) Blunk and Mrs. Hamor (June Marie) Williamson, both of rural Portland, and Mabel Jean Caylor, rural Pennville; four grandchildren; two step-grandchildren; five great-grandchildren and one great-great-granddaughter and seven step great-great-grandchildren. Services were at the Pennville United Methodist Church, with burial in the Salamonia Cemetery."

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