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Services for Theodore "Ted" Smith, 77, 1021 W. Race St., Portland, are 11 a.m. Monday at the St. George Episcopal Church in Berne with the Rev. Larry Smith officiating. Burial will be held in the Salamoniam Cemetery. He died Thursday at his home.

Born on March 9, 1928 in Girard, Penn., he was the son of Benjamin and Lillian (Bax) Smith. He graduated from high school in Girard in 1946 and married Donna Kirsch on May 30, 1951. She survives.

Moving to Portland from Erie, Penn. in 1971 to work as traffic manager for Naas Food Corp., he retired in 1990 after working there 18 years.

A member of the Portland Masonic Lodge, Portland Moose Lodge and the Scottish Rite, York Rite and the Mizpah Shrine, all of Fort Wayne. He played percussion for the Shrine Band for 22 years.

Survivors besides his wife include two daughters, Mrs. Bruce (Heather) Hedges, rural Portland; Valerie Ryan, Erie, Penn.; one brother, Boyd Smith, Cordele, Ga. and five grandchildren.

Visitation is Sunday from 2 to 7 p.m. at the Portland Chapel of the Williamson & Spencer Funeral Home and Monday from 10 to 11 a.m. at the St. George Episcopal Church. A Masonic memorial service will be held Sunday at 7 p.m. at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to the Shriner's Hospitals or to the State of Heart Hospice.

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