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RALPH W. BENNETT, 82, died Wednesday at Jay County Hospital. Born in Wells County, he was the owner and operator of Bennett's Neon Signs and had worked in maintenance for several local factories. He also restored antique trunks. He was a World War II Army veteran. Surviving are his wife, Catherine; three daughters, Carol Showalter of Huntingburg and Alice Whitacre and Becci Green, both of Portland; a brother, Claude of Bluffton; two sisters, Bonnie Sullivan of Bluffton and Ruby Gentis of Huntington; five grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren. Services at 10 a.m. Saturday at Baird-Freeman Funeral Home, Portland. Calling from 4 to 8 p.m. today. Burial in Antioch Cemetery, Portland. Memorials to Jay County Cancer Society or donor's choice.