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Alpha W. 'Junior' McKinney

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Alpha W. "Junior" McKinney, 91, Point Pleasant went home to be with his Lord on Thursday, November 12, 2009, at St. Mary's Medical Center. He was born June 30, 1918, in Mason County, a son to the late George William McKinney and Lydia Smith McKinney. He attended the Pleasant Valley Church in Davis Grove and surrounding church in the county. He was a member of the American Legion Post 23, where he served as the Chaplain for many years and past commander for the VHF and the American Legion. He also was a WWII army veteran and was a retired boilermaker for Union 667 in Winfield.

Preceded in death besides his parents was on infant son; daughter, Jean Lathey; and brothers, Oral and Merle McKinney.

He is survived by his wife, Margaret McKinney of Point Pleasant; his children, John (Mary) Malezewski of Point Pleasant, Sally (Steve) Woodall of Point Pleasant, Sue (Dan) Missen of Missouri, Joan (Robert) Swisher of Point Pleasant, Eric McKinney of Point Pleasant, Paul McKinney of Point Pleasant, Pete (Joyce) McKinney of West Columbia, Charles and (Valerie) McKinney of Point Pleasant, and Bill (Sissy) McKinney of Gallipolis, Ohio; 27 grandchildren; several grandchildren and great grandchildren; great great grandchildren; sisters, Maxine West of Gallipolis, Ohio; and Evelyn Nowlin of Point Pleasant; brother, Russell McKinney of Gallipolis, Ohio; and several nieces and nephews and friends.

Funeral Service will be held 2 p.m. Sunday, November 15 at the Deal Funeral Home with Rev. Bert Flora officiating. Burial will follow in the Mt. Zion Cemetery, located on Thomas Ridge Road in Flatrock with full military graveside service conducted by the American Legion Post 23 Point Pleasant. Friends may call from 6-8 p.m. Saturday at the funeral home..