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Holly Franklin Hursey, 85/ April 16, 1909 - Aug. 8, 1994

Shelby - Holly Franklin Hursey was born April 16, 1909 in Clinton Township, Wayne County. He was the son of Thomas and Lillie May Lister Hursey and was one of seven children in the family. He was raised on the family farm until age 21, at which time he and his brother, Norris came to Shelby County and worked as hired men for Herb Welborn.

He met and married Margaret Arvilla Myers in Des Moines Dec. 5, 1935. They were the parents of three sons; Kenneth, Melvin and Duane. They moved to the Cushing farm northwest of Shelby in the spring of 1936. They lived there until 1941, at which time they moved to the Elmer Myers farm. In 1974 they moved into Shelby. She died Sept. 5, 1975. He had his farm sale in March of 1976. Prior to coming to Shelby, he was a member of the IOOF Oddfellows Lodge in Clio. He was affiliated with the Methodist Church in Wayne County and also in Shelby. He died Aug. 8, 1994 at the Baptist Memorial Home at age 85 years, 3 months and 23 days.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife, Arvilla, two brothers; Norris and Boyd and three sisters; Gladys, Alma and Coy. He is survived by his sons; Kenneth (Carolyn) of Harlan, Melvin (Marsha) and Duane (Janice) both of Shelby, five grandchildren, a brother, Karl Hursey (Irene) of Corydon, a brother-in-law, Dale Myers of Harlan, nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Aug. 11, 1994 at the Knutson Funeral Chapel with Rev. Don.Matthiessen officiating. Burial was in the Shelby cemetery. Casket bearers were Amy Gordon, David Hursey, Donna Hayes, Leann Hursey, Wade Hursey and Ryan Myers. Knutson Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.