Ernest Hofer
June 2, 1899-March 21, 1991

He was born June 2, 1899, in Uetlibergen, Switzerland, to Nicholas and Pauline (Krieg) Hofer. He came to the United States in 1920 to live in Marshall County and moved to Collins in 1938. He married Rosa Luthi at Melbourne Feb. 18, 1925. He was a farmer and a member of the Farmer's Union, the Collins United Methodist Church and the Collins School Board.

Survivors include two sons, Howard Hofer of Collins and Charles Hofer of Baxter; two daughters, Eileen Hamre of Lakeville, Minn., and Bernice Huntrods of Collins; three sisters, Lena Luthi of Baxter and Emma Scheidegger and Martha Zurcher, both of Switzerland; 12 grandchildren; and 18 great-grandchildren.

Services were held March 25 at Collins United Methodist Church. Burial was in the Collins Evergreen Cemetery.