Neltie Holmes
Died Aug. 22, 2000
Nettie Holmes, 87, of Apache Junction, Ariz., and formerly of Collins, died of complications of a kidney ailment there Aug. 22. The body will be cremated, and burial of the cremains will be at a later date in Collins.

Mrs. Holmes was born in Des Moines and had lived in Harlan before moving to Apache Junction. She was a homemaker and enjoyed square dancing, flower gardening and cooking.

A brother, Harry Renner of Waurika, Okla., survives. She was preceded in death by her husband, Lowell.

Bunker’s Desert View Chapel in Mesa, Ariz., is handling arrangements.

Interment of Cremains 9-16-2000
Collins Evergreen Cemetery

Thomas Holmes

Collins Pioneer Was Buried Today

Thom Holmes Came to That Neighborhood as a Small Lad

Special to the Journal

Collins, April 18 — Thomas Holmes, age about 75 years, was buried in the Collins cemetery today after services by Rev. Thomas Anderson at the Methodist church.

Mr. Holmes, for many years a resident of this community, died Thursday at his home at Mason City and the body was brought here for the funeral and interment.

Mr. Holmes was a native of Yorkshire, England, and came to America when but a small child with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Holmes and other members of the family, and settled first in Illinois. Living there but a short time they came out to Iowa and settle on the old Holmes homestead southwest of Collins.

There Thomas grew to manhood and was married first to Miss Dora McQuiston in 1881. Two children were born to them, they being Arthur Holmes of California and Mrs. Lou Pulis of Des Moines.

Later he was married to Miss Ella McQuiston and they moved into Collins. Three children were born to them. Two, Alfred and Roy, died in infancy, while the third is Mrs. Alta Donaghy and lives in Chicago.

They left Collins about thirty years ago and located first in Stuart and then went to Mason City. The wife died at Mason City about 4 years ago after which the father made his home with the daughter for a time, but about two years ago was married for the third time.

Besides his wife and three children, he leaves five brothers and two sisters. The brothers are William, George and Walter all of near Collins, John of Chicago and David of Brooklyn, N. Y. The sisters are Mrs. Charles McQuiston of Collins and Mrs. Henry Worrall of Nevada.