

# Rhonda Inman

I was born in 1961, grew up in Huntertown and went to Huntertown & Perry Elementary, then Carroll High School. I've worked for Fort Wayne Newspapers for 34 years (+). My husband (Fred) and I bought an old farm and some acreage just north of Huntertown with our four kids. We raised cattle, pigs, goats, a rabbit, cats and dogs. Then, in 2006 my husband bought a big old lathe and after he got used to using it, he put me on it. I turned a plate for an old smoke stand and made a plant stand instead. After that we bought an old scroll saw from a pawn shop. I practiced with it awhile, then I found a pattern for an Intarsia Rose. I've also made an eagle, mare & colt, and other portraits. Then, I started making Christmas Ornaments on my small lathe. I hollow them out to make them lighter & making a finial to go on both ends. I also enjoy making wood writing pens, deer antler pens with stand & jewelry. Now I'm back making Christmas Ornaments (compound) which is very difficult. Cutting them on the scroll saw is like watching a turtle take a walk...very, very, slow & careful. If you hurry you get bruised fingers. But, I really enjoy making them, they are very pretty and it helps me to relax.

"Greatest Past Time Ever". I look at trees now and see beautiful items made out of them instead of firewood.

Thank you so much for appreciating the beauty of my wood items.