From the Sunday, March 6, 1988 edition of the Kankakee Journal (w/photo):

Edna Curwick, 80, of Kankakee, died Friday (March 4, 1988) at Riverside Medical Center in Kankakee. Visitation will be at 3-8 p.m. today at the Hertz-Thoma Chapel in Kankakee. Servicess will be at 11 a.m. Monday at the funeral chapel. The Rev. Herbert Bohlmann will officiate. Burial will be in Kankakee Memorial Gardens. Memorials may be made to funds of the donor's choice. Mrs. Curwick was born July 24, 1907 in Kempton to William and Dora Murphy. Her husband, Ulysses Curwick, whom she married June 26, 1926 in Cullom, died Feb. 15, 1977. Survivors include two sons, Paul and Delbert, both of Bradley, eight daughters, Carol Ginger, Lela Walthers and Shirley Patchett, all of Kankakee, Mary Bowen and Betty Hardy, both of Phoenix, Ariz., Florence Banks of Wilmington and LaVona Brinkman and Mabel Van Gilder, both of Bonfield; 50 grandchildren, 56 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren; five brothers, George of Dwight, Lloyd of Tucson, Ariz., Merle of Cabery and Ralph and Donald, both of Bradley; and four sisters, Hazel Kirchner of Chebanse, Ethel Stevens and Betty Murphy, both of Cabery, and Maxine Wagner of Bradley. Three sons, Donald, Charles and Joseph, and three grandchildren are deceased. Mrs. Curwick was a retired employee of the Shapiro Developmental Center, where she had been employed for 20 years. She was a member of the Bradley American Legion Auxiliary.