

# Fred Inman

I was born in 1955 and grew up in Huntertown, IN. I went to Huntertown Elementary & Carroll High School. I helped farmers around the area bale hay. I worked for Phelps Dodge for 37 years & am still working for Rae Magnet Wire. My wife and I bought an old farm and some acreage just north of Huntertown with our 4 kids, raised cattle, pigs, goats, rabbits, cats and dogs. Then in 2006 I started watching wood turning videos and thought I would give it a try so I bought a big old lathe. I turned a few pieces and got used to how to hold the lathe tools. There is a lot to learn when working with a machine like that. Sometime when you start turning a bowl it ends up changing shape & turning into something else. My wife and I made a wine cabinet together for our home. After I got comfortable with the lathe, I started to teach my wife how to turn. Then, I started to make "segmented bowls" to turn. Gluing them tight is one of the secrets to making them work. Creativity is the other.

I love turning segmented bowls, burls vases & big plates. "Greatest Past Time Ever". I look at trees now as beautiful wood bowls instead of wood for the fireplace.

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

I try to see the beauty that lies beyond the bark.

Farmer Turned Woodworker