



## Herbie Hughes

### *Interview*

1994

Length: 1 hour, 4 minutes and 56 seconds

*[The interviewer is not introduced but it can be assumed that Irene Moriarty is speaking. Anne Coffey and Joe Saint are also present.]* The interviewer notes that she is speaking to Herbie Hughes at his home in Cookstown about the community in which he was raised and his family history. Herbie speaks about his father's family (Hughes) who came from Ireland and his mother's family (Bateman and Bell) who came from England and Scotland. Herbie's immediate family was raised on Concession 14, Lot 15 and he describes the members. He talks about his experiences attending school at S.S #14 and the Anglican Church at Coulson's Hill. He describes the Bradford Fair and thinks the last one happened when he was around 16 years old. Herbie identifies the community members and businesses in Fennell's Corners when he was living there. He also describes the entertainment available when he was young and notes how he met his wife. He describes life with his wife, children, and grandchildren. He and his wife took teachers into their home to board. Herbie speaks about his time on the West Gwillimbury County Council as a member, Reeve, and Warden.

*Note: This is a brief summary of what has been recorded on tape. Anyone interested in assisting to transcribe or summarize these oral histories is encouraged to contact Nina Cunniff, Deputy CEO of the Bradford West Gwillimbury Public Library, at (905) 775-3328 ext. 6105.*

