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The President's Piece

By Gilbert K. Alford, Jr.

IMPORTANT SURVEY: Please respond to the survey inserted in this issue pertaining to the future of this publication. If we don't hear from you, you may receive just a few pages in the Winter 2000 issue of *AAFA ACTION*.

REMEMBERING AAFA MEMBERS: If you don't read anything else in this issue, you must read "In Remembrance of AAFA Members," pages 18–33. We will miss these members, all examples of the great folks we have in AAFA. Pay particular attention to Janine Hernbrode's eulogy (page 28) for my dear friend Ethyle Jones, who used to plague me with genealogy and Alford ancestor questions in her letters—and to what her grandchildren thought of her on page 30. Read all of the one about Sandy Snowball on pages 32–33. She died so young but she had given so much. I never could get over her participation in and support of AAFA in the condition she was in—and she was not even the Alford. What an example.

But why do we wait until our members die to express our best and deepest feelings for them? We ought to be able to come up with a way to do it while they are still here. Perhaps we should begin a series called "Praising our People." Spouses, children, grandchildren, anyone: send us your eulogies for living AAFA members.

NEW MEMBERS and THEIR LINEAGES: You will see a major change in the lineages in this issue, and I trust it will be the last change for some time to come. I've tried to explain the change in that section. Because of all the changes we have been working on for almost a year, I've managed to get way behind in compiling, coordinating, and getting these to Pam. I'm just barely getting them done before the members' first annual dues expire. I'm trying to improve on that but there is just so much to do. We've made it a practice to keep the "Welcome New AAFA Members" in the back of the quarterly in sync with the lineages published, but this time we're deviating from that practice and listing all the new members we had at the time of compiling the list for this issue. Please bear with us while we catch up.

AAFA IS ON THE INTERNET: You can't watch a news program on TV or read a daily newspaper anymore without being bombarded by notices about the Internet. We don't say much about it in the quarterly because many of you don't own computers and are not on the Internet. Other than our Web site location and some e-mail addresses on page 2, you'd never know AAFA was involved. Believe me though—AAFA has a strong Internet presence. Thanks to our Web master Kim Savage and Jimmie Alford, who provides space on his server, AAFA has an outstanding Web site. I receive compliments about it regularly. Most of our work and communication is done via e-mail. Almost all of this newsletter

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Treasurer's Report



AAFA Income and Expenses

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Income

Donations - Memorial Fund		\$692.00
Donations - Other		2,142.50
Dues		9,286.00
Reg Fees Initial		355.00
Annual Meeting Income	\$6,933.50	
Less: Annual Meeting Expenses	(5,967.76)	965.74
Sales of Old AAFA ACTION Issues		128.00
Miscellaneous - Raffle (at Meeting)		399.00
Miscellaneous - Booklet (after expens	es)	127.00
Merchandise Sales		2,097.12

Total Cash Receipts \$16,192.36

Expenses

Office Expenses

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Advertising	321.58
Miscellaneous	263.00
Postage	\$1,029.46
Printing	519.12
Stationery	755.12
Supplies	2146.60

AAFA ACTION Costs

Printing	6,400.00
Postage	1,860.66
Research	250.09
Subscriptions	111.40
Costs of Old AAFA ACTION Issues	35.55
Merchandise Purchased	1,987.52

Total Cash Disbursements \$15,680.10

Excess of Cash Receipts over Cash Disbursements \$512.26

New Member Lineages

Prepared by Gil Alford with the help of Lynn Shelley, VP and AAFA Research Chief, and most of the members listed.

omething new has been added again this time. We are switching over from the old format based on a data base file to a narrative format taken from our genealogy files. We are still way behind in publishing lineages and not on a path to catch up as we mentioned in the last issue.

What you see below looks very much like what you have been seeing in some of the "In Remembrance" articles. One difference is the "Quality Code" for each ancestor that we introduced last quarter. In the old format all we could display was the quality total for each ancestor.

Now we show, in the endnotes, totals for availability and quality as well as sub-totals for each of the six elements: parents, birth, spouse, marriage, death, burial. Each of these carry the same amount of weight. Emphasis was placed on names, dates, and places as that is what is listed in the lineages. We looked both at the availability or

presence of data and how well it was documented or proved. Presence and proof also carry the same amount of weight. Within the parenthesis the number on the left in each set is based on how much data is available and the number on the right in each set is for proof or evidence that AAFA has. The maximum one can get in each case is 8.

In this example the data elements will be identified with TT being grand total and P=parents, B=birth, S=spouse, M=marriage, D=death and the 2nd B=burial): TT (PP BB SS MM DD BB) is the format but expressed in numbers in the lineages. If a quality code shows 84 for birth it would mean that information was available for complete date and place of birth but there was proof for only half of the data or the quality of the proof was considered only 50% of what it should be. To get the total which appears in front outside the parenthesis one must take the sum of all availability figures (the first number in each set) and the sum of all quality figures (the 2nd number in each set) and add them together.

Low figures, in many instances, are cases where members have not sent information. An article in the previous issue told where you might look or what you might send to increase the code on an ancestor.

It would take too much space here to explain this in complete detail. If you are curious about the rating of one of the ancestors listed, send a self-addressed envelope to AAFA, POB 1586, Florissant MO 63031 with a note asking for explanation of the coding and identify the ancestor.

Please do not consider this as any kind of rating or evaluation of you or your ancestor. The code—we hesitated to call it a score or rating—is based on ALL the data AAFA has accumulated on the ancestor from you and all other sources. It is an expression of what we have and how valuable we believe the documentation to support the data really is.

If you have any questions or comments, send them to AAFA, POB 1586, Florissant, MO 63031, or e-mail GAlford1@compuserve.com.

CORRECTION: Page 5 in the last (Winter 1999) issue, Under new member #1014, Clifford Earl Alford, ancestor #16 John Alford: please delete the date of death, which is actually unknown.

#1022 Linda Jean "Lynn" Anderson BAL784NC/ISH755NC

- Linda Jean "Lynn" Anderson born Aug 27 1945, Palo Alto, Santa Clara Co., CA, married Apr 25 1964, in Reno, Storey Co., NV, Frank Terry Bennett, born Sep 24 1944, Sacramento, Sacramento Co., CA, occupation Rice Grower.
- 2. **Lawrence Edwin Anderson** born Aug 20 1915, Seattle, King Co., WA, married May 30 1941, in

Berkeley, Alameda Co., CA:

- 3. **Dorothy Andrea Alford** born Jun 22 1922, Houston, Harris Co., TX, ref: dor922tx¹.
- 6. **Wendell Gary Alford, Sr.** born Aug 10 1895, Hemphill, Sabine Co., TX², ref: WEN895TX³, married Edith Nielsen, born Sep 2 1897, Sacramento, Sacramento Co., CA, died Mar 12 1988, Sacramento. Wendell died May 23 1981, Sacramento. Raised by relatives after death of mother.
- Isham Brittan Alford, Sr. born Apr __ 1871, TX⁴, ref: ISH871TX, occupation School teacher/writer⁵, married (1) Mary Belle Thomas, born Nov __ 1874, TX⁶, died Nov 21 1900, Geneva, Sabine Co., TX⁷; married (2) Feb 16 1902, in Sabine Co., TX⁸, Lulu Payne. Isham died May 4 1944, Hemphill, Sabine Co.,

TX⁹. Age 9 in 1880 Census in 1880 Census in Sabine Co., TX (name shown as Isam). He apparently went by the name of "Ira" as he was listed like that on second marriage record as well as the 1910 Vernon Parish, LA census.

- 24. Burtis Terry Alford born Sep 16 1845, St. Clair Co., AL¹⁰, ref: BUR845AL¹¹, married about 1869, Elizabeth Collier, born Dec __ 1851, MS. Burtis died Apr 13 1901, Geneva, Sabine Co., TX¹². Age 31 in 1880 Census in Sabine Co., TX. Age 53 in 1900 Census in Sabine Co., TX; born Sep 1846. He was in St. Clair Co., AL in 1850 and Sabine Co., TX in 1860. Where was he in 1870?
- 48. **Isham Alford** born about 1815, GA, ref: ISH815GA¹³, married Aug 15 1838, in St. Clair Co., AL¹⁴, Sylvia Anne Hodges, born about 1824, AL, died Nov 8 1884, Milam, Sabine Co., TX. Isham died Jun 7 1888, Milam, Sabine Co., TX. Isham and Sylvia Anne Alford moved their family from St. Clair Co., AL to TX in 1854. They went to TX crossing the Sabine River near Milam. They traveled across the Old San Antonio Road to what was then Washington Co. and settled at a little village called Evergreen about 12 miles from Giddings, now in Lee Co. Sometime before 1860, Isham and Sylvia sold their land and moved their family to Sabine Co. in the piney woods of East Texas.
- **Baldy Alford** born Oct 23 1784, Franklin Co., NC¹⁵, ref: BAL784NC¹⁶, married Elizabeth _ 1781/00, GA, died May 10 1874, Alford's Bend, Hokes Bluff, Etowah Co., AL, buried: Liberty Cem., Hokes Bluff, Etowah Co., AL. Baldy died about 1865, Alford's Bend, Hokes Bluff, Etowah Co., AL, buried: Liberty Cem., Hokes Bluff, Etowah Co., AL¹⁷. Some folks have always thought that "Baldy" was short for Archibald. However with the pattern of naming all sons with a "B" it may not be so. Some work done for Ann L. Alford by a professional researcher reported him as Archibald. There is no source cited and she is likely to have picked it up from one of our own misguided reports. See also AAFA ACTION Summer 1994, "Was Archibald Offert an Alford?" by Lynn Shelley, AAFA #484, pp. 54–55.
- 192. **Isham Alford** born Oct 30 1755, NC¹⁸, ref: ISH755NC¹⁹, married about 1780, in NC, Anne Ferrell, born May 15 1755, Franklin Co., NC, died before 1820. Anne's first husband was John Allen, with whom she had at least two children (see below). Isham died 1832, Troup Co., GA. There is no proof that Isham was the son of Lodwick Alford; however, there is some circumstantial evidence suggesting that

he might be. The search continues.

November 12 1777 Bute Co., NC—deed from Nathan Hall to Isham Alford was proved by oath of Isaac Pippen in Bute Co. Court. From Brent Holcomb, *Bute County, North Carolina Minutes of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions* 1767–1779, (Columbia, SC: N. pub., 1988), p. 265.

1778—Isaac, Goodridge [son of Lodwick], John, Isum Alford took Oath of Allegiance to US. From pencil extract of NC records by William Mitchiner, AAFA #010.

September 1779 Franklin Co., NC—Isham was the Jurat on a transaction selling 455 acres in Franklin Co.—on the north side of Flat Rock Creek—from Isaac Alford of Franklin Co. to Thomas Martin of Wake Co. It was registered in December 1780 court. From Georgia Genealogical Researchers Associates, *Abstracts of Deeds and Land Grants Book A and Book 1, 1779-1797, Franklin County, North Carolina,* (1974).

January 18 1786 Franklin Co., NC, Deed Book 5 page 142 #488—Isham was witness to transaction selling 200 acre plantation on north bank of Crooked Creek from James Alford of Wilks Co., GA [Lodwick's son] to Julius Alford of Franklin Co., NC [Lodwick's son]. Ansel Alford was also a witness. From Joseph W. Watson, *Abstracts of the Early Deeds of Franklin County North Carolina 1779-1797*, (Rocky Mount, NC: Joseph W. Watson, 1984), p. 64.

March 1786, Minutes of Franklin County Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, p. 183—Isum Alford among those appointed jurors to attend Superior Court to be held at Halifax April 17. From abstract typed by William A. Mitchiner AAFA #0010 from *The North Carolina Genealogical Society Journal*, Vol. VI, 179.

December 1786, Minutes of Franklin County Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, p. 153—deed registered, James Alford to Julius Alford [sons of Lodwick], proved by Isham Alford. From abstract typed by William A. Mitchiner AAFA #010 from *The North Carolina Genealogical Society Journal*, Vol. VII, p. 104.

Jan 25 1788—"Bush, John to Geo Ivey of Franklin Co. N.C. 287 1/2 acres in that part of Washington Co. called Greene, on Rocky Fork of Shoulderbone Creek, Jan 25, 1788 Isham Alford, Anthony Ivey, Test." [John Bush was a son-in-law of James Alford—son of Ole Lodwick Alford.] From *Early Records of Georgia, Volume One Wilkes County*, compiled by Grace Gillam Davidson, 1932, p. 252.

October 14 1790 Franklin Co., NC, Deed Book 9, page 11—Lodwick Alford, Jr. sold land that formerly belonged to Iham Alford, with Drewry Alford a witness. From Joseph W. Watson, *Kinfolks of Franklin County, North Carolina*

1793-1844, (Rocky Mount, NC: by the author, 1985), p. 1.

1791 Paid taxes in Wilkes Co., GA

Feb 12 1795 Isham along with Noyal Nelms and D. Morris were appraisers on the inventory of the deceased Joseph Bays, Jr. in Wilkes Co., GA. From *Early Records of Georgia, Volume One Wilkes County*, compiled by Grace Gillam Davidson, 1932, p. 103.

1801 & 1805 Paid taxes in Wilkes Co., GA

1820 Census, Jasper Co., GA—Enumerated as I. Alford residing next door Elijah Davidson, his son-in-law.

1830 Census, Monroe Co., GA—Enumerated with Elijah Davidson, his son-in-law.

October 27 1832 Columbus Weekly Enquirer—Four months after date of application will be made to the Honorable the Inferior Court of Troup County when sitting as a Court of Ordinary purposes for leave to sell all the real estate with the negroes of Isham Alford, deceased for the benefit of the heirs and creditors of said deceased. —Elijah Davidson, Administrator

Lynn Davidson Shelley, a descendant of Anne Ferrell Alford, and the chair of the AAFA Research Committee, wrote "Isham Alford, Part 1," *AAFA ACTION* Spring 1994, p. 33. A summary of that article follows:

A supposed Bible record obtained by AAFA #387 Dr. Dean Steward from John Alford of Redan, GA, was obtained by me from Dean in a letter dated Sept 28 1992. The Bible lists:

THOM Alford was born 30 Oct 1755 [ISHAM or ISHOM?] Anne FENNELL was born 15 May 1755 [FERRELL?]

It is not known when they married but was between April 1779 and some time in 1780, Brittain being born Feb. 1781.

Children: Elizabeth Allen Alford born 4 Oct 1774 [Anne's child by first marriage]; Jesse Allen Alford born 28 Mar 1775 [Anne's child by first marriage—impossible so probably should be 1776 or Elizabeth's should be 1773]; Britton Alford born 8 Apr 1782 [see date given on tombstone below]; Baulday Alford born 23 Oct 1784; Binum Alford born 31 Dec 1787; Anne Alford born 9 Oct 1790.

Other items that support what is found here are:

1) Deed of Gift from John Ferrell to granddaughter Elizabeth, daughter of Ann Allen: Apr. 14, 1779 John Ferrell of Franklin Co.—deed of gift to his granddaughter Elizabeth

- Allen, daughter of John Allen, deceased, for five shillings, one negro man named Jim, reserving the use of said negro to his daughter Anne Allen, until Elizabeth arrives at the age of fourteen. Witness: H. Hill, Wm.Green.
- Association of Isham Alford and John Ferrell (may have been son, not father) shown in: State Records of NC, May 13, 1781: In a letter from Col. Benj. Seawell to General Sumner:
 - "A certain Robert Beard, with 15 others, on Friday last, seized the person of John Ferrell, Isham Alford, and Robert Melton, together with Seven horses and I think, three guns that were intended for the present draft of Militia and carried them all off."
- 3) John Ferrell's will dated 7 Jan 1786 which lists a daughter as Ann Alford: "Item: Whereas my Daughter Ann Alford has Received her Part of my Estate all But One Negrow Boy None by the Name of Peter Which I give to her and her Heirs Lawfully Begotten of her Body."
- 4) Brittain's tombstone which states: "Brittian Alford, son of Isham and Anna Alford: Born 4 February 1781; Died 10 February 1849" [NOTE: Date different from that in "Bible" record in both day, month and year. Was there a child with this birth date whose name was left off when the copy was made from the Bible?? Bertis??]
- 5) Naming of a son John Ferrell Alford by Isham Alford (son of Brittain); much use of the names John Allen, Jesse, Allen and Elizabeth by descendants
- 6) Anne Alford Davidson was enumerated as Anna F. Davidson in the 1860 Jackson Parish, LA census (Jackson 394, Vienna PO) and was listed as Anna F. Davidson in the Land Conveyance Records of part of husband Elijah's estate found in the Lincoln Parish Courthouse, dated 27 March 1858. It may have been that she was named Anne Ferrell Alford after her mother Anne Ferrell.

FOOTNOTES

- 1. Data Quality = 80 (66 85 64 85 88 88)
- 2. Census 1900 TX Sabine
- 3. Data Quality 41 (63 85 60 00 85 00)
- 4. Census, 1900 TX Sabine born Apr 1871
- 5. Data Quality = 40 (73 53 60 00 88 00)
- 6. Census, 1900 TX Sabine as Mary B born Nov 1874.
- 7. Estate papers file Sabine Co., Feb 1902 (JCS)
- 8. Sabine Co. Marriage Records 1900-1910.
- 9. TX death certificate #24894
- 10. An earlier compilation showed born 1846.
- 11. Data Quality = 47 (75 72 73 00 88 00)
- 12. Estate Papers (in possession of Janice Smith, AAFA Wills Officer)

- 13. Data Quality = 48 (51 43 86 76 80 00)
- 14. Marriage list published by Family Adventures
- 15. A supposed Bible record obtained by AAFA #387 Dean Steward from John Alford of Redan, GA shows his birth date to be October 23, 1784 and spells his name as BAULDAY Alford. Franklin is the supposed place of birth.
- 16. Data Quality 42 (74 74 33 00 42 80)
- 17. He is not on a published cemetery list?
- 18. A supposed Bible record obtained by AAFA #387 Dean Steward from John Alford of Redan, GA showed his name as Thom Alford, but it is easy to see how Isham and Thom might be interchanged in old hand writing. Provided date of birth, names of children and their birth dates.
- 19. Data Quality 28 (00 63 84 20 63 00)

#1023 Kent Lee Irvin mar766va/JOH696MD

- 150. **James Landrum** born 1762, VA¹, occupation Minister. James died Jan 15 1840, Jefferson Co., TN¹. He married Dec 22 1787, in Amherst Co., VA¹:
- 151. **Mary Clark Alford** born 1766, VA¹, ref: mar766va², died after 1843, Jefferson Co., TN.

From ABSTRACTS OF REVOLUTIONARY WAR PENSION FILES, Vol II F-M, abstracted by Virgil D. White, p. 2005 (further source data not included with the single page in AAFA's possession):

LANDRUM, James, Mary, W800, Virginia Line, sol was a son of Young Landrum, sol lived in Amherst Co VA at enl & srv under his father Capt Young Landrum, sol appl 4 Sep 1832 Greene Co TN, sol m. Miss Mary Clark Alford in Amherst Co VA (m bond was signed by William Alford & sol on 13 Dec 1787) & they were m 22 Dec 1788, sol d 15 Jan 1840, wid appl 4 Nov 1843 Jefferson Co TN aged 77, in 1843 one Love Statham aged 74 mad aff'd tht he live within a few miles of where sol & wid were m & that their oldest child (not named) was aged 55 or 56 in 1843, in 1843 a Mrs. Elizabeth Crosby of Jefferson Co TN aged 55 made aff'dt as to sol's & wid's marriage, James Trail & Vincent Jackson were wit's in Greene Co.

See also a summary of James Landrum's records in VIR-GINIA/WEST VIRGINIA GENEALOGICAL DATA FROM REVOLUTIONARY WAR PENSION AND BOUNTY LAND WARRANT RECORDS Volume 3—Iams through Myres, by Patrick G. Wardell, 1992, p. 93.

302. **William Alford** born about 1738, VA, ref: WIL738VA³, married about 1758, in VA, Letticia "Letty" _____, died Jun 26 1823⁴. William died about 1808, Nelson Co., VA.

604. **John Alford** born 1696⁵, ref: JOH696MD⁶, married **Mary** _____, died after 1758, probably Frederick Co., VA⁷. John died 1748, Frederick Co., VA⁸.

Nothing is really known about John's birth date or place. The late Mrs. Tressie Bowman reported that he was the son of John Alford and Elizabeth. [Mike Heazel, AAFA #0664 has a theory that would make the subject the probable grandson of this John & Elizabeth Alford. Joe Alford, AAFA #1058 has a similar theory showing the subject to be the son of Matthais Alford who was the son of John & Elizabeth. Perhaps continued research will reveal evidence needed to prove a connection.] That would be the John who died 1702 in Dorchester Co., Maryland. His will dated October 20, 1702 was probated November 11, 1702 and is filed in Box 1, Folder 6 Dorchester/Carolina Co., MD wills, 1702. Other children of John and Elizabeth Alford were Matthais and Joseph. John and Matthias were the executor's of the older John Alford's will. Son John was, according to Mrs. Bowman, supposed to have married Mary Dawson 1717 in Dorchester Co., MD, but it was later proved that Mary Dawson married Edward Alford April 23 1715 in St. Peter's Parish, Talbot Co., MD (Robert Barnes, MARY-LAND MARRIAGES, 1634–1777, 1978, p. 3). Matthias married Celeninor Godward and Joseph married 1735 Margaret Richardson.

Lynn Shelley, AAFA V.P., gives the following reasons for placing John as the first child:

- 1. He is listed first in the will.
- He got 2 horses, 1 Negro and the still which is to help support his mother, whereas others only got 1 horse except Priscilla.
- 3. John gets inheritance at age 19 or marriage of mother; others get theirs only at their marriage.
- 4. At marriage of mother, John becomes responsible for siblings' inheritance.
- 5. John's age—not yet 19—was the only one mentioned. If others were older, wouldn't they support mother, be executors, etc?
- 6. 1754 Frederick Co. deed indicates John is acting on behalf of siblings, William and Acquilla, who it is assumed were still underage.
- 7. William votes in Frederick Co. in 1761 but not in 1758—had he just turned 21, or was he just then a landowner?

The entire text of John's will is published in "Will of John

Alford of VA, 1696ca–1748," *AAFA ACTION* Spring 1995, p. 44. It was written Nov 13 1748 in Frederick Co., VA. The following entries are also found in the probate records—note that the old-style calendar date is really January 1749:

At a Court continued & held for Frederick County on Wednesday the 4th day of January 1748. This Will of John Alford Deceased was presented into Court by Mary Alford the Executrix therin named who in open Court refused to abide by the S'd Will. John Harman & John Peverley two of the witnesses thereto having on Oath proved the Same & John Peverly on his Oath Declared that he saw Richard Robinson the other witness Sign the Same then & Will is admitted to Record. Test J Woods

Know all men by these presents that we Mary Alford John Hurman Isaac Pennington & Edward Sniggers are held & firmly bound unto Marques Calmses Gent. The first Justice in the Commission of the peace for Frederick County for & in behalf & to the sole use & behoof of the Justices of the said County and their successors in the sum of Five Hundred pounds Current Money; To be paid to the said Marquis Calmses his Executors & administrator & Assigns: To the which payment well & truly to be made we Bind ourselves & every of us & our every of our Heirs, Executors & administrators jointly & separately firmly by these presents Sealed with our Seals Dated this 4th day of January 1748.

The Condition of this Obligation is such that if the above bound Mary Alford Administratrix of all the Goods Chattels & Credits of John Alford Deseased with the will annexed. Do make or cause to be made a true & perfect Inventory of all & singular the Goods Chattels & Credits of the said Dec'd which have or shall come to the Hands or possession or knowledge of her the said Mary or into the hands or possession of any other person or persons for her: and the same so made do Exhibit or cause to be Exhibited into the County Court of Frederick at such time as she shall be thereunto required by the said Court and the same Goods Chattels and Credits and all other the Goods Chattels and Credits of the said Deceased at the time of his Death which at any time after shall come to the hands or possession of the said Mary or into the hands of or possession of any other person or persons for her do will and truly administrated according to Law. And further do make a just and true Account of her Actings and Doings therein when thereto required by the said Court and all the rest & residue of the said Goods Chattels and Credits which shall be found remaining upon the said Administratrix Account the same being

first examined and allowed by the Justices of the Court for the time being shall deliver and pay to such person or persons respectively as the said Justices by their order of Judgement shall Direct pursuant to the Laws in that case made and provided; And if it shall herafter Appear that any other last will and testament was made by the Deceased and the Executor or Executors therein named do exhibit the same into the said court making Request to have it allowed and approved accordingly. If the said Mary Alford being thereunto required to render and deliver up her Letters of Administration Approbation of such testament being first had and made in the said Court Then this obligation to be void and of none effect or else to remain in full force and virtue.

her Sealed and Delivered Mary X Alford (seal) in presence of mark the Court Jno Harman? (seal) Isaac Pennington (seal) Edward Sniggers? (seal)

At a Court continued and held for Frederick County on Wednesday the 4th day of January 1748 Mary Alford Administratrix of John Alford Deceased together with John Harman Isaac Pennington and Edward Sniggers? her security Acknowledged in open court this their bond for the said Mary her true and faithful Administration of the said Deceaseds Estate which was admitted to record.

Test: J. Wood C.C.

FOOTNOTES

- 1. Pension application abstracted herein.
- 2. Data Quality = 40 (42 42 77 77 00 00)
- 3. Data Quality = 15 (32 10 30 20 40 00)
- 4. TENNESSEE BIBLE RECORDS, VOL III, 1961, by Knoxville Chapter, DAR pp. 78-83. See AAFA ACTION Fall 1998, p. 68 (listed as "Lettia").
- 5. We really have no idea when or where he was born.
- 6. Data Quality =12 (00 00 33 00 33 00)
- 7. According to Frederick Co. deed.
- 8. He was fairly young when he died because all of his children were under 19 and the wording of the will suggested the wife might remarry.

#1024 Richard Alvord Ward, Sr. NAT804MAV/ALE627ENV

Note: In some "Alvord" reports there is an extra reference in the REF field. For example #3 below has gra891ia, the usual AAFA ref notation, but also a "2776." The numbers in the Alvord refs are the register numbers from Samuel Morgan Alvord's book, *A Genealogy of the Descendants of Alexander Alvord* (Webster, NY: A.D. Andrews, 1908).

- 2. **John Stanley Ward** born Apr 30 1886, Sidney, New South Wales, Australia. John died Jan 2 1984, Yuma, Yuma Co., AZ. He married Aug 24 1921, in Ancon, Canal Zone, Panama:
- 3. **Grace Lucile Alvord**, born Dec 25 1891, Sioux City, Woodbury Co., IA¹, ref: gra891ia 2776², died Jan 2 1984, Yuma, Yuma Co., AZ.
- 6. **George Raymond Alvord, Jr.** born Dec 29 1865, Pontiac, Oakland Co., MI³, ref: GEO865MI 2014, occupation Merchant⁴, married Mar 18 1889, in Rock Rapids, Lyon Co., IA, Libbie Luella Brewster, born May 19 1863, Riverview, Washington Co., IL, died Dec 16 1942, San Bernardino, San Bernardino Co., CA. George died Sep 14 1936, Los Angeles, Los Angeles Co., CA, buried: Woodmere Cem., Park Lot. It was he who gave the name to Alvord, IA through his brother-in-law, Mr. Park, who laid out the town.
- 12. **George Raymond Alvord** born Feb 6 1840, Grosse Isle, Wayne Co., MI⁵, ref: GEO840MI 1116, occupation Merchant⁶, married May 2 1864, in Pontiac, Oakland Co., MI, Sarah Elizabeth Roberts, born Jul 23 1843, Detroit, Wayne Co., MI, died Sep 29 1906, Trenton, Wayne Co., MI. George died Sep 23 1965, Hillsdale, Hillsdale Co., MI. George enlisted as a private in the 1st Michigan Cavalry and was soon promoted to lieutenant. He served during the entire war and left as a captain. He was a talented artist and produced many paintings before the war.
- Nathaniel Clarke Alvord born Jan 1 1804, Greenfield, Hampshire, MA⁷, ref: NAT804MA 479, occupation Carpenter & Farmer⁸, married (1) Oct 6 1827, in Le Roy, Genesee Co., NY, Ann Churchill, born Aug 28 1809, New Berlin, Chenango Co., NY, died Jan 16 1845, Grosse Isle, Wayne Co., MI; married (2) Oct 7 1845, in Grosse Isle, Sarah Ann Churchill, born Jul 27 1815, New Berlin, Chenango Co., NY, died Aug 21 1850, Trenton, Wayne Co., MI; married (3) Oct 13 1851, in Weston, VT, Lucy Morse Dearborn, born May 11 1817, Greenfield, Hampshire Co., MA, died Oct 28 1891, Trenton, Wayne Co., MI. Nathaniel died Sep 22 1887, Trenton. He was the president of the Trenton School Board for several years. He organized the first Sunday School in Trenton and was instrumental in having the Protestant Church established there. He was the senior warden for the church up until his death.
- 48. **Elijah Alvord** born Sep 3 1770, South Hadley, Hampshire Co., MA⁹, ref: ELI770MA 188, occupation Carpenter & Tavern Keeper¹⁰, married (1) Jan 16

- 1791, in Greenfield, Hampshire Co., MA, Ann A. Bascom, born Jan 31 1770, died Aug 23 1791, Greenfield; married (2) about 1792, Lucretia Clarke, baptized Nov 3 1765, died Sep 1 1819, Greenfield. Elijah died Nov 14 1817, Greenfield¹¹.
- 96. Nathan Alvord born about 1731, South Hadley, Hampshire Co., MA¹², ref: NAT731MA 68¹³, married Jan 15 1756, in South Hadley, Lydia White. Nathan died Brookfield, Orange Co., VT¹⁴.
- 192. **John Alvord** born Oct 19 1684, Northampton, Hampshire Co., MA¹⁵, ref: JOH684MA¹⁵, occupation Constable & Assessor⁸, married Dec 29 1708, in Northampton, Dorcas Lyman, born Aug 11 1690, Northampton, Hampshire Co., MA, died Nov 15 1770, South Hadley, Hampshire Co., MA. John died Nov 21 1757, South Hadley¹⁶. *The Burke and Alford Memorial* [see citation in Footnotes] shows his birth as 1684, based on town records which were listed, but the Alvord genealogy shows born 1685.

John was a "saddler" in Northampton. He was elected constable in 1729 and was one of the first assessors of South Precinct, Hadley March 12, 1733. In 1741 he was one of a committee of 15 appointed to force Rev. Rawson, the leader of their church, to "cease to occupy the pulpit." Rawson persisted and was dragged from the pulpit by the committee of young men employed by them for this purpose.

His gravestone was still standing in South Hadley in 1908.

- 384. **Thomas Alvord** born Oct 27 1653, Windsor, Hartford Co., Connecticut¹⁷, ref: THO653CTV ^{5,18}, married Mar 22 1680, in Northampton, Hampshire Co., MA¹⁹ Johannah Taylor, born Sep 27 1665, Northampton, Hampshire Co., MA, died 28 Feb 1737/38, Northampton, Hampshire Co., MA. Thomas died Jul 22 1688, Northampton, Hampshire Co., MA²⁰.
- 768. Alexander Alvord born Oct 15 1627, Bridport, Dorset Co., England²¹, baptized Oct 16 1627, Bridport, Dorset Co., England, ref: ALE627ENV ^{1,22} married Oct 29 1646, in Windsor, Hartford Co., CT²³, Mary Vore, born Jul 6 1617, England, died Bef 1683, Northampton, Hampshire Co., MA. Alexander died Oct 3 1687, Northampton, Hampshire Co., MA²⁴.

There are conflicting reports on his birth. The LDS-IGI has three listings—all for Bridport, Dorset Co., England. One shows him christened Oct 15 1627, another says born Oct 15 and the third says born Oct 16. The published Alvord genealogy says he was baptized Oct 15—probably in Bridport. His sister, Joanna, according to the LDS-IGI was

baptized Dec 8 1622 in Whitestaunton, Somerset Co. Benedict, his brother, is not mentioned in the LDS-IGI.

The Burke and Alford Memorial [see citation in Footnotes] shows that Alexander was born Somerset Co. (?) England, probably about 1620. His brother Benedict's birth is not mentioned. Benedict was a sergeant in the fight against the Pequots in New England, he was reported in Connecticut in 1637 but was recorded as back in England in 1639 and then back in New England by 1640. This suggests that he was born before Alexander.

1536. **Thomas Alford** born 1575, Whitestaunton, Somerset, England, ref: 2560, married (1) May 11 1618, in Whitestaunton, Somerset, England, Joan or Joanna Hawkins, born 1594, Ashill, Somerset, England, died May 27 1636, Whitestaunton, Somerset, England; married (2) Elizabeth _____, died Jun 11 1617, England. Thomas died before 1636, England.

FOOTNOTES

- Samuel Morgan Alvord, A Genealogy of the Descendants of Alexander Alvord, An Early Settler of Windsor, Conn., and Northampton, Mass. (Webster, NY: A.D. Andrews, 1908) p. 595
- 2. Data Quality = 44 (88 88 66 00 00 00)
- 3. Alvord, A Genealogy of the Descendants of Alexander Alvord, p. 595
- 4. Data Quality = 52 (84 84 84 84 00 00)
- 5. Alvord, A Genealogy of the Descendants of Alexander Alvord, p. 402
- 6. Data Quality 60 (84 84 84 84 84 00)
- 7. Alvord, A Genealogy of the Descendants of Alexander Alvord, p. 212
- 8. Data Quality = 60 (84 84 84 84 84 00)
- 9. Birthplace is probable
- 10. Data Quality = 45 (63 74 84 10 84 00)
- 11. Alvord, A Genealogy of the Descendants of Alexander Alvord, p. 116
- 12. Alvord, A Genealogy of the Descendants of Alexander Alvord, p. 67
- 13. Data Quality = 41 (84 32 63 84 21 00)
- 14. Place of death probable.
- 15. Northampton, MA Town Records as published in *The Burke and Alford Memorial* [see citation below]
- 16. Alvord, A Genealogy of the Descendants of Alexander Alvord, p. 45
- 17. John A. Boutelle, *The Burke and Alvord Memorial, A Genealogical Account of the Descendants of Alexander Alford* (Boston: 1864), p. 218
- 18. Data Quality = 69 (75 88 86 88 74 00)
- 19. Boutelle, The Burke and Alvord Memorial, 211
- 20. Alvord, A Genealogy of the Descendants of Alexander Alvord, 3p. 6

- 21. LDS-IGI 7328815-88. See also LDS-IGI T998121-0074 & 7527507-78
- 22. Data Quality = 57 (63 53 75 86 86 00)
- 23. Boutelle, The Burke and Alvord Memorial, p. 218
- 24. Boutelle, The Burke and Alvord Memorial, p. 215

#1025 Nancy Catherine Arth Wheeler MOS812CT/BEN619EN

- 6. **William Emmet Renner** born Jan 15 1897, Cherry Box, MO. He died Sep 3 1960, buried: Toledo, OR. William married Feb 11 1922:
- 7. **Marjorie E. Alford** born Dec 20 1905, Ellis, Gage Co., NE¹, ref: mar905ne², died Dec 12 1992, Rancho Mirage, Riverside Co., CA.
- 14. James Jessie Alford born Aug 13 1881, Princeville, Peoria Co., IL¹, ref: JAM881IL, occupation RR Telegraph Operator³, married Jun 29 1904, in Pawnee City, Pawnee Co., NE¹, Lucetta Hurd, born Nov 12 1876, NE, died Aug 22 1953, San Bernardino, San Bernardino Co., CA, buried: Grandview Cem., Glendale, CA. James died Jan 10 1946, Los Angeles, Los Angeles Co., CA¹, buried: Grandview Cem., Glendale, CA. James Jessie and Lucetta were separated for many years but never divorced.
- 28. **Elmer G. Alford** born about 1849, Peoria Co., IL⁴, ref: ELM849IL⁵, married Emma E. Lovesee, born about 1855, IL⁶.
- 56. Moses Alford born about 1812, CT⁷, ref: MOS812CT⁸, married Lurena _____, born about 1813, CT⁹. Unable to find him in 1830 or 1840 census. Most of the children were listed in 1850 Peoria Co., IL Census and/or that of 1860.
- 112. Moses Alford born Apr __ 1783, CT¹⁰, ref: MOS783CT, occupation Carpenter¹¹, married Rhoda Smith, born about 1793, CT⁹. He was enumerated in Hartford Co., CT in 1810–1830 censuses with the following family tabulation:

1810 = 0001 / 00111 1820 = 30001 / 20011830 = 0010001 / 001101

224. **Joseph Alford** born Jul 6 1748, CT¹⁰, ref: JOS748CT¹², married 1772, Lucy Griswold, born about 1753, died Apr 10 1835, Poquonock, Windsor. He was enumerated in the 1800–1820 censuses of Hartford Co., CT:

1800 = 00311 / 12101

1810 = 00001 / 00101

1820 = 000001 / 00001

- 448. **Jonathan Alford** born Sep 16 1720, Windsor, Hartford Co., CT¹³, ref: JON720CT¹⁴, married (1) Dec 17 1744¹⁵, Charity Thrall, born 1729, died Sep 9 1776¹⁰; married (2) Elizabeth _____.
- 896. **Jeremiah Alford** born May 8 1692, Windsor, Hartford Co., CT, ref: JER692CT¹⁶, married Jul 4 1711, in Windsor, Hartford Co., CT¹⁵, Sarah Enno, born about 1694, Windsor.
- 1792. **Jeremiah Alford** born Dec 24 1655, Windsor, Hartford Co., CT¹⁷, baptized Jan 31 1656, ref: JER655CT¹⁸, married 1686, in Windsor¹⁹, Jane Hoskins, born Apr 3 1671, Windsor, died May 19 1715. Jeremiah died Jun 6 1709¹³.
- 3584. **Benedict Alford** born about 1619, Whitestaunton, Somerset, England^{20, 21}, ref: BEN619EN²², married Nov 26 1640, in Windsor, Hartford Co., CT¹⁷, Jane or Joan Newton, born 1622, Windsor²³, died after 1683. Benedict died Apr 23 1683, Windsor¹⁰. See also "Benedict Alford of New England," *AAFA ACTION* Summer 1993, p. 48.

He was sometimes listed as "Benedicitus." His surname, and that of some of his descendants, has been spelled a variety of ways—including Alvord, Alfred, Alford and Allford. Most research indicates that the majority of this branch of the family used the "Alford" spelling. That will be used throughout this genealogy to minimize confusion and to prevent conflict with the brother's descendants—the majority of whom used the "Alvord" spelling.

Benedict, along with brother Alexander (Alvord) and Joanna Alford, came to America, probably as minors and perhaps as orphans, about 1636. Sister Joanna was baptized Dec 8 1622 in Whitestaunton Parish but no record of Benedict's birth or baptism has been discovered. Brother Alexander was baptized, probably at Bridport, England, Oct 15 1627.

Benedict was in Windsor, CT, as early as 1637. He went back to England in 1639 but was back in MA in 1640. He probably returned for "his espoused Joan Nurton, or Newton, who was of the parish of Broadway" about four miles from Whitestaunton. While in England a purchase of cattle was made, and Benedict's signature also appears as a witness on a deed executed in 1639 by Nicholas Nurton.

He was a sergeant in the Pequot War in 1637, the war having begun in 1633. He was present at the "Pequot

Massacre."

He had a grant of land in Windsor, CT. He became a member of Windsor Church Oct 17 1641. He was a juror in April 1643 and a constable in 1666.

His will, written March 30 1683, was signed with his mark "x" and it showed he was survived by his wife. The will also supports his military service suggesting a pension. He left to his son Josiah "the Farme that was given me by the Country." [Editor's note: We will publish Benedict's will in a future issue.]

The following was published in John A. Boutelle, *The Burke and Alvord Memorial, A Genealogical Account of the Descendants of Alexander Alford* (Boston: 1864):

I. Benedict Alvord,

Born _____: died Windsor, Conn., April 23, 1683. He was of Windsor, Conn., in 1637; was in "Old England" in 1639; was Massachusetts in August, 1640, (see page 92), and was of Windsor, Conn., in the fall of 1640, where he early had a grant of land, where he was married, where his children were born, and where he died. He was one of the 30 who went from Windsor, Conn., in 1637, to fight against the Pequots.

The Pequots had conceived the design of driving the whites from New England; and at a Court, Convened May 1, 1637, "It is ordered that there shall be an offensive war against the Pequots.... There shall be 90 men levied out of the three plantations, Hartford. Wethersfield, and Windsor, in the following proportion Hartford 42 Windsor 30 Wethersfield 18."

The decisive battle of May 26 had been fought—the Pequot power was broken, the victorious little army was on its homeward march full of joy and gratitude for success such as they had hardly dared to hope.

A day of special thanksgiving was proclaimed throughout the colonies, and everywhere the song of exultant victory was blended with prayer and praise to him who ruleth on high. In all these rejoicings, we may well believe that the good people of Windsor had their full share.

Capt. Mason the "very foremost of them" was their townsman. "SO WAS BRAVE SERGEANT ALVORD." (See *History of Windsor*.)

7168. **Thomas Alford** born 1575, Whitestaunton, Somerset, England, ref: 2560, married (1) May 11 1618, in Whitestaunton, Somerset, England, Joan or Joanna Hawkins, born 1594, Ashill, Somerset, England, died May 27 1636, Whitestaunton, Somerset, England; married (2) Elizabeth ______, died Jun 11 1617,

England. Thomas died before 1636, England. See also "Part 3: The Descendants of Alexander Alvord," *AAFA ACTION* Dec 1990, pp. 48–49.

14336. **William Alford** born 1547, Whitestaunton, Somerset, England, married in England, Unknown, born about 1513, Whitestaunton, Somerset, England.

FOOTNOTES

- 1. Lineage data submitted by Nancy Arth Wheeler #1025
- 2. Data Quality = 32 (60 80 60 40 80 00)
- 3. Data Quality = 44 (60 80 60 80 80 80)
- Census, 1850, IL, Peoria Co., page 237. Census, 1860, IL, Peoria Co., page 924 Census, 1880, IL, Peoria Co., Sheet 23
- 5. Data Quality = 20 (62 42 60 00 00 00)
- 6. Census, 1880, IL, Peoria, Princeville
- Census, 1850, IL, Peoria Co., page 237. Census, 1860, IL, Peoria Co., page 924
- 8. Data Quality = 18 (63 31 32 00 00 00)
- 9. Census, 1850, IL, Peoria Co., page 237.
- 10. Henry Stiles, *The History and Genealogies of Ancient Windsor Connecticut*, 1635-1871, Vol. II (1892)
- 11. Data Quality = 26 (63 53 63 00 00 00)
- 12. Data Quality = 26 (63 63 74 00 00 00)
- 13. Stiles, *The History and Genealogies of Ancient Windsor*; also Windsor Town Records
- 14. Data Quality = 36 (63 84 63 42 00 00)
- 15. Windsor Town Records
- 16. Data Quality = 44 (63 84 74 84 00 00)
- 17. John A. Boutelle, *The Burke and Alvord Memorial, A Genealogical Account of the Descendants of Alexander Alford* (Boston: 1864), p. 171
- 18. Data Quality = 54 (84 84 84 55 44 00)
- 19. ? Karl shows 1686 which makes sense with children births; Scott Alford= 1687 ? IGI shows 1695
- 20. Samuel Morgan Alvord, A Genealogy of the Descendants of Alexander Alvord, An Early Settler of Windsor, Conn., and Northampton, Mass. (Webster, NY: A.D. Andrews, 1908), p. 18. Also: Stiles, The History and Genealogies of Ancient Windsor.
- 21. Published accounts say there is no record of his birth or baptism but they say he was junior to Alexander, baptized in 1627. Considering that he was a sergeant in America in 1637, that does not seem practical.
- 22. Data Quality = 47 (63 21 74 84 84 00)
- 23. Stiles, *The History and Genealogies of Ancient Windsor*, pp. 34-37. Covers several generations.

#1026 Ina Lois McCray CHA790NC/!!!!!!!!

6. Oliver Cromwell Pritchett born Dec 7 1875,

- Lancaster, KY. He died Sep 24 1950, Graceland Cemetery, Decatur, IL. Oliver married Jul 6 1901, in Macoupin Co., IL:
- 7. **Bertha Louise Alford**, born Apr 24 1878, Macoupin Co., IL¹, ref: ber878il², died Jan 23 1905, Macoupin Co., IL, buried: Miller Cemetery, Macoupin Co., IL.
- 14. Meshack Tipton Alford born May 22 1828, Sevier Co., TN³, ref: MES828TN⁴, married (1) May 2 1849, in Roane Co., TN⁵, Sarah Rebecca Edwards, born Jan 17 1831, Roane Co., TN, died Jun 26 1869, Macoupin Co., IL⁶, buried: Old Union Cem, Palmyra, Macoupin Co., IL; married (2) Nov 28 1869, in Scottville, Macoupin Co., IL, Susan Mary Searcy, born Aug 14 1846, Spencer Co., KY, died Aug 30 1926, Macoupin Co., IL, buried: Miller Cemetery, Macoupin Co., IL. Meshack died Apr 28 1905, Macoupin Co., IL, buried: Old Union Cem, Palmyra, Macoupin Co., IL.

In 1860 his family included himself 32 TN, Rebecca 28 TN, Wm 11 TN, Charles F. 9 TN, Robert 4 IL, Benj Franklin 2 IL. Son George W. must have died by the census date.

In 1880 his family included himself 52 TN, Susanah 33 KY, Robert 24 IL, Caleb 11 IL, Sarah 8 IL, Martha 7 IL, Rose 5 IL and Bertha 2 IL.

In 1900 his family included himself born May 1828 TN, Susan M. Aug 1846 KY, Bertha L. Apr 1878, Joseph Jan 1880, John S. Feb 1882, and Cleveland Nov 1887.

"Connecting North Carolina Alfords," *AAFA ACTION* March 1993, pp. 30–33, includes a biographical sketch of M.T. Alford. At the time of publication, we didn't know the source of this article, but we now know that it was published in: Brink, McDonouth and Company, *History of Macoupin County [IL]* (1879).

28. Charles Alford born Sep 30 1790, NC⁷, ref: CHA790NC⁸, married Mary Tipton, born Jun 30 1795, TN⁹, died Feb 18 1863, Palmyra, Macoupin Co., IL. Charles died Mar 17 1858, Palmyra, Macoupin Co., IL. The 1800 and 1810 TN Censuses are unavailable. In AL in 1820 where a substitute record was used for the census, he had 1 male over 21, 3 males under 21 and 1 female over 21.

1830 Sevier Co., TN 1021001 / 010001 1840 Roane Co., TN 01101001 / 1000001 There was also a younger Charles in Sevier Co.10001 / 01001

1850 Roane Co., TN age 61 NC; Mary 55 TN; Sarah 13 TN

The following was extracted from a July 2, 1976 letter written by James Alford of Soquel, CA to Mrs. Sarah McEachern AAFA #0053. Jim, though not a member of AAFA, did attend the 1997 meeting in Pleasanton, CA.

Recently when I was in the San Francisco Library I came upon a book of family bibles in Tennessee. I am doing Alford family research myself and was pleased to find pages of a Bible copied from one belonging to Carl Alford from Lenoir City, Tennessee.

My great great grandfather Charles Alford lived near Philadelphia, Tenn which at that time (1840-1850) was part of Roane County.

I noticed that many of the Alford names listed in the Bible also appear in my family, such as Charles, Benjamin, Mary, Martha, William and Robert.

I found in the 1850 census for Roane County, Tenn., John Alford, age 64, and his wife Jane, age 58, both from NC. They had five children, Luisa, Thomas, Margaret, Rebecca and Alexander, all born in Tennessee. Was this family related to you? My great great grandfather Charles also lived in Roane Co. at that time. He was 61 years old and was also from North Carolina. I think he and John were brothers although I have no proof of that. Charles had a daughter named Rebecca also, and a son William Alexander. My grandfather was Thomas Alford so again there is a similarity in names.

From what I've been able to discover in records, Charles Alford left North Carolina shortly after 1800 and settled in East Tennessee. I think he had 2 brothers John and William. At different times he lived in Knox, Sevier, Monroe and Roane Counties. He lived in Limestone Co., AL between 1820–1830 where my great grandfather Matthew was born, but moved back to East Tennessee where he lived until 1850 near Philadelphia. About 1850 several of the Alfords moved to Macoupin Co., Southern Illinois to continue farming. My great grandfather Matthew left Illinois about 1863 and settled here in Northern California."

A copy of Sarah's response is not available, but on July 28, 1976 Jim wrote her another letter from which the following was taken:

First I'll try to supply the information you asked for regarding Charles and Matthews' children. My great great grandfather Charles Alford and Mary Tipton Alford had seven children. They were: William—wife Jane Riddle, died in Macoupin Co. Illinois; John C.—wife Sarah Maddy, died Macoupin Co. Ill; Matthew Nelson—wife Martha C. Young, died Hayward Calif 1868; Meshack T.—(see attached Biography [extracted elsewhere in this record]); Robert moved to Arlington,

TX from Macoupin Co., Ill between 1860–1870; Rachael Rebecca—married George Riddle; Sarah married B.S. Riley.

My great grandfather Matthew Nelson Alford married Martha O. Young in McMinn Co. Tenn in 1848. They had six children. They were: Charles killed Battle of Shiloh 1862; William Alexander—Shot & Killed San Francisco 1892 (attached newspaper account [copy not available to AAFA]); John Wesley—Policeman - Shot and Killed Watsonville, Calif 1897; Julia Evaline—died Marysville Calif 1931; Thomas Newton (grandfather) died Santa Cruz, Calif 1928; Richard Gates—died Hayward Calif age 1 1/2 years.

Could your grandfather Charles Franklin Alford have been named for Charles Frank Alford who died in Macoupin Co., Illinois? I have attached a military record showing Charles F. Alford, born in Georgia, 18 years of age, enlisted into the Civil War from Macoupin County [not included]. You said that your grandfather's brother Alex lived in Georgia. Could there be a connection there?

Was your great grandfather Robert Cannon Alford named after Robert Cannon? My g. g. grandfather Charles and Robert Cannon appear as witnesses on a Knox Co. deed in 1808. On a later Roane County property transaction, and finally as neighbors on the 1850 census of Roane County.

On the early East Tennessee Tax lists (1801–1820), John Alford appears being taxed for property on Town Creek which is not far from the property that Charles Alford and Robert Cannon were witness to.... Could he have been related to Charles?

I have no further information on Limestone County, Alabama other than the fact that Charles Alford and his father-in-law Meshack Tipton appear on the 1819–1820 census.

I couldn't locate Robert C. Alford on the 1850 Roane Co. Census. I will check further in other counties and see if I can locate him.

The following was extracted from a June 16, 1979 letter written by Thomas J. "Jack" Alford of Knoxville, TN:

Great great grandfather Charles was born in North Carolina in 1887 [marked through and replaced with 1789]. He and a brother or cousin John were located in Knox Co. Tenn in 1806. They later lived in Blont County. John moved to Roane County (later Loudon Co.) and Charles followed in 1830 after living in Alabama and Sevier County, Tenn. Great grandfather Robert was born in Philadelphia (Tenn) 1833. Charles moved to Palmyra Co. Ill in 1850 and died 1858. Robert followed in 1856 and grandfather Robert was born in 1869. The family moved to Arlington, Texas in

1878 and back to Tennessee in 1880 after great grandfather Robert died. My father Paul was born at Hoods Landing near Kingston, Tenn in 1898 and I was born at Hoods Landing in 1928.

The following was submitted to *About Alfords* by Carl & Eva Larson in January 1983 (tabular format edited to narrative):

Charles Alford b. 10 Sep 1790 in NC d Mar 17 1858 in Palmyra, Ill married Mary Tipton b Jun 30 1795 (Roane Co.?) Tenn d Feb 18 1863 Palmyra, Ill. Ch.: William B., Matthew Nelson, John C., Rachael R. Riddle, Meshack T., Robert, and Sarah Riley.

William D. Alford b Mar 17 1817 Tenn, d Jun 8 1892 Palmyra, Ill, m. (1) Jane Riddle b. Jul 17 1817 d. Apr 29 1852 (3) Minerva (Butcher) Wiley b Oct 9 1829 d Mar 9 1899. Ch.: 1st m; Mary Ann Weller, Martha Wood, Margaret Ross, Charles Frank, and William D.; 2nd m: Minerva Jane Conlee and Etta Mae (never married)

Minerva Jane Alford b Aug 27 1856 Macoupin Co., Ill d Mar 7 1932 Macoupin Co. m William Thomas Conlee b Sep 24 1849 Morgan Co., Ill d. Feb 18 1931 Macoupin Co. Ill. Ch.: Oliver Burton Conlee, Ida Mae Johnson, Mary Florence Anderson, Alva Elmer Conlee, and Lula Jane Coffee. [plus two more generations.]

FOOTNOTES

- Census 1880 IL, Macoupin Co, Palmyra Census 1900 IL, Macoupin Co., Palmyra
- 2. Data Quality = 59 (84 75 81 81 71 81)
- Date shown from the published biographical sketch.
 Descendant, Joann Allen AAFA #0140 shows a date of
 23
- 4. Data Quality = 55 (42 75 83 81 71 81)
- The published biographical sketch shows married in 1849 while the LDS-IGI & Hunting for Bears show 1847.
- 6. Biographical Sketch
- 7. Census, 1850, TN, Roane Co
- 8. Data Quality = 23 (00 61 61 00 81 00)
- 9. Probably born in what was to become Roane Co. in 1801.

#1027 Charles Glenn Thompson JOH801NC/!!!!!!!

- 2. **George W. Thompson** born Jul 23 1892, died Mar 9 1964. He married:
- 3. **Elizabeth Beatrice "Bettie" Alford**, born Jan 10 1903, Franklin Co., TX, ref: eli903tx¹, died Dec 12

1993, Hopkins Co., TX.

George Washington Alford born Jan 18 1855,
 Greene Co., AL², ref: GEO855AL, occupation
 Farmer³, married Jan 6 1876, in Lauderdale Co., MS⁴,
 Mary Henretta "Mollie" Warren, born Oct 10 1858,
 MS⁵, died Feb 14 1942, Dallas Co., TX. George died
 Nov 26 1909, Franklin Co., TX, buried: Good Hope
 Cemetery, Franklin Co.

In 1880 George was enumerated in Neshoba Co., MS.

In the early 1890s George and his family migrated to TX with Mollie's father and his family, looking for work with the railroad. They first stayed in Cleburn, Johnson Co., TX, but it is said the water didn't agree with Mollie. George went to the railroad station and asked to go as far east in TX as his money would take him. George, Mollie and their children took the train to Scroggins, Franklin Co., TX, 10 miles east of Winnsboro. On the train George met a Mr. Templeton, owner of several rent farms in Franklin Co., who offered one to George to work on "halves." The Alford and Templeton families remained good friends throughout their lives.

George moved his family several times but in early 1900 they bought 140 acres near Winnsboro, TX, and this was to be their permanent home. George never got to appreciate being a land owner, for he died in 1909 from gall bladder surgery complications in the new Mt. Vernon Hospital at the age of 54. Mollie and George had 14 children but four of them died in infancy. Mollie was left to raise six children under the age of 16 by herself. She led what must have been a hard but active life and died at the age of 83. George and his family were listed in the 1880 Neshoba Co., MS census and then in 1900-1920 in Franklin Co., TX. In 1900 his nephew, Andrew J. Alford, was enumerated with the family. In 1920 he being deceased, "Mollie" was the head of the house. In the 1910 census Beulah May Alford was enumerated with Mary Alford and this family, but she was the daughter of George Cullicut and Annie Alford.

12. John Madison Alford born Aug 7 1826, GA, ref: JOH826GA⁶, married (1) Apr 6 1854, in Greene Co., AL⁷, Sarah Cornelia Rainey, born Nov 6 1836, AL, died 1858/60, Greene Co., AL; married (2) Sep 6 1860, in Lauderdale Co., MS⁸, Sarah Frances Cooper, born Apr 8 1836, Lauderdale Co., MS, died Feb 8 1910, Neshoba Co., MS⁹, buried: Henry's Chapel Cemetery, Neshoba Co. John died Mar 29 1892, Neshoba Co., MS¹⁰, buried: Henry's Chapel Cemetery, Neshoba Co., MS with the John Cammett family. He was listed as age 24 born in AL. In 1860 he was

enumerated in Newton Co., MS as Aulford 34 b. GA. In 1870 he was still in Newton Co. age 48 born in GA. In 1880 he was in Neshoba Co. born in GA.

He may have been a private in Combany B., 8th Mississippi Regiment. He was with a unit that surrendered at Citronella, AL and was taken prisoner of war. However, there seems to be some conflict between what's found in the soldier's record and what's in the pension file. Until several J.M. Alford records can be reviewed, this is an open item.

24. **John Alford** born about 1801, NC¹², ref: JOH801NC¹³, married Unknown. John died AL ??.

John had two contemporary "namesakes" in MS whose families should not be confused with this one. There was a John Alford born about 1801 in Carroll Co., MS and he apparently came from the same area of AL as our John did. There was a John Alford born 1816 in NC who lived in Neshoba Co., MS.

Mary Alford enumerated with son, John Madison Alford, in 1860 Newton Co., MS was thought at one time to be the wife of old John Alford. She was Mary Carpenter Hopkins Raney, b. 1804 in NC, widow of (1) Hardy Hopkins and (2) James Harvey Rainey. She was John Madison's mother-in-law.

It's supposed that the John Alford enumerated in Pickens Co., AL in 1830 is our subject. There is a close fit with the children but it is not exact:

1 male b. 1815-1820, 2 males b. 1820-1825, 1 female b. 1820-1825, 1 male b. 1825-1830 and 1 female b. 1825-1830.

Two documents define the children of this family. The first was a note sent to the late Herman Alford, AAFA #68, from a granddaughter of James Madison Alford in the 1940s. She identified John Alford as the head of the family and listed the children (incompletely): John Madison (father of Warren Alford), George, Julius, Duke [Marmaduke], Jimmie, John William, and Warren.

The other evidence is a set of estate papers of George Washington Alford:

The administrator's final accounting sworn to the court June 24, 1880 identified the brothers and sisters of G.W. Alford to be J.M. Alford who resides in Neshoba Co., Mrs. Frances S. Alexander and her husband J.F. Alexander who reside in Kemper Co., Julius Alford who resides in Hinds Co., Marmaduke Alford who was last heard from at the siege of Vicksburg and who removed from there to the state of Texas; a decedent sister, Adeline Sims, who formerly lived in Simpson Co.

Included in the papers was a letter from J.M. Alford to his dear friend R.G. Rives. He makes reference to the "as state" of brother G.W. Alford and said his sister died long before the war and brother Duke had not been heard of since the war. He's asking R.G. Rieve to act for him to straighten out the estate.

There is also an 1885 court record responding to a petition by Jno M. Alford, Frances Alixander, Julius C. Alford of Hemstead Co., AR. The document refers to Marmaduke Alford and sister Adeline Goodwin who married after death of first husband Thomas Sims.

FOOTNOTES

- 1. Data Quality = 42 (84 73 63 00 74 00)
- 2. Supposed to be in Greene Co., but not proven. Most of the information for this family came from granddaughter Doris Alford Vetri, AAFA #303 or from the census.
- 3. Data Quality = 74 (88 74 86 76 73 84)
- 4. Book R79, page 521
- 5. 1880 census shows she was born in AL. Another source shows her born in 1859.
- 6. Data Quality = 67 (00 64 86 88 65 88)
- Married by Solomon J. Hitt. Marriage Bond was dated April 4.
- 8. Lauderdale County Marriage Records Book I, 1858-1867, page 117 The marriage bond says married 1860 but her pension application says they married in 1859.
- 9. Gravestone has the birth and death dates shown.
- 10. Gravestones show the dates of birth and death as listed.
- 11. The cemetery is 4 miles northwest of Philadelphia. The church was formerly known as Old Fork's Primitive Baptist Church.
- 12. The date and place of birth is pure speculation. The name was provided by a great-granddaughter [grand-daughter of John Madison Alford] in the 1940s as reported by Randall L. Alford.
- 13. Data Quality = 00 (00 00 00 00 00 00)

#1028 Wendy Jean Davis LAN804VA/JOH696MD

- 38. **Henry Russell** born about 1823, Ohio. He died Feb 13 1864, Solano Co., CA. Henry married May 15 1851, in Solano Co., CA¹:
- 39. **Adeline Alford**, born Feb 16 1833, Giles Co., VA², ref: ade833va³, died Oct 1 1907, Fairfield, Solano Co., CA⁴.
- 78. **Stephen Landers "Landy" Alford** born Jun 21 1805, Wythe Co., Virginia⁵, ref: LAN804VA, occupation Carpenter and Farmer⁶, married about 1828, in Virginia⁷, **Sarah Duke**, born 1812, Warren Co., NC⁸,

died Jul 30 1896, Suisun Valley, Salano Co., CA⁹, buried: Rockville Cem., Solano Co., CA. Stephen died Aug 3 1871, Round Valley, Contra Costa Co., CA¹⁰, buried: Rockville Cem, Solano Co., CA. His full name may have been STEPHEN LANDERS ALFORD but he was known as Landy or Landa. Ellen Spillman says Stephen Landers was his name. Source was requested. See also "Landy Alford, California Pioneer," *AAFA ACTION* Summer 1997, pp. 42–43.

Ruth Moran's research of Virginia Tax Records prompted her in November 1984 to write: "Everyone seems to have missed Landy Alford. It is possible that his name was Stephen Landers Alford. My reason for thinking this as a possibility is that on the 1825 tax rolls he is listed as Landy; 1826 as Stephen; 1827 as Landy again. Landy, Charles, and William Alford moved to Giles County, Virginia. The 1825 tax rolls show that Landy was in Wythe County in 1825 on Feb 10 when the Commissioner levies the taxes, but was in Giles County in March 1825, together with his brother Charles. Charles was there in 1826, 1827, and 1828, both he and Landy were there in 1829 and all three brothers were there in 1830. All three, William, Charles and Landy are on the 1830 Census for Giles County. Landy Alford leaves Giles County in 1832/3 and I find him in Buchanan County, Missouri in 1840."

The family supposedly was in Indiana since daughters were born there in 1836 and 1837. We need some corroboration on that.

Lynn Shelley cites a source for his presence in Andrew Co., MO in the 1840s when he sold land there. She says: "Supposed to have left on the Overland Trail the day after his daughter Nancy's marriage to Nathan Barbour, on May 9, 1846, in Holt County, MO. Supposedly was originally heading for Oregon but decided on CA somewhere en route. Arrived in CA about October, 1846. In CA PIONEER REGISTER AND INDEX, he is listed as an 1846 immigrant who worked as a carpenter at Monterey and Benecia in 1847–1848, afterwards settling in the Suisun Valley. In 1870 census, he was living with cousin/nephew?? Russell Alford in Contra Costa County, while wife Sarah was still in Solano. Both are listed as owning land. Son Charles who was married by then was also living in Contra Costa County."

156. John Alford born about 1768, Augusta Co., VA¹¹, ref: JOH768VA¹², married (1) Oct 26 1789, in Montgomery Co., VA, Eleanor Hoge, born Apr 5 1769, Botetourt Co., VA, died Dec __ 1814, Montgomery Co., VA; married (2) Nov 3 1815, in Giles Co., VA, Peggy Crawford. John died after 1829, KY or MO. [Born 1768–1769 according to Montgomery Co., tax rolls. His whereabouts are unknown after 1829. Some

think he died in KY and others, at least a Clara V. Alford, says MO. Some earlier accounts showed wives Miss Hayes and Miss Smith but nothing has been found to support them so they are no longer listed.] "The four sons of John Alford and Elloner Hodge Alford, all came to what was then Gibson Co., Indiana, and later lived in Davies Co., Indiana. The town of Alfordsville was named for James Alford, and he was known as Captain Alford." —WAA1942/44

As evidenced by the above some accounts do not include "Landy" as a son.

- 312. **Thomas Alford** born about 1736, VA??, ref:

 THO736VA¹³, married about 1764, in VA, **Elizabeth**_____, born 1745, died 1805/06, Wythe Co., VA¹⁴.

 Thomas died Nov ___ 1806, Wythe Co., VA¹⁵. Their children have traditionally been shown as born in Wythe Co. That county was not formed until 1789/90. It came from Montgomery 1777, it from Fincastle 1772. it from Botetourt 1770 and it from Augusta which was created 1738/45. [Note that the Jewell Gallagher sketch listed him only as a possible son of John Alford. She lacked proof also.]
- 624. **John Alford** born 1696¹⁶, ref: JOH696MD¹⁷, married **Mary** _____, died after 1758, probably Frederick Co., VA¹⁸. John died 1748, Frederick Co., VA¹⁹.

For more on John Alford see his record for member #1023 earlier in this article.

FOOTNOTES

- 1. Fred Davis shows married Sep 1 1851 in Suisun Valley, Solano Co., CA.
- 2. Place is only probable.
- 3. Data Quality = 31 (80 50 60 60 60 00)
- 4. Another record shows died in Pacific Grove.
- 5. Date was supplied by Ellen Spillman, no source cited. It is not proven that he is the son of the parents shown. Family names and proximity suggest it.
- 6. Data Quality = 35 (40 70 80 00 80 80)
- 7. The date is only an estimate.
- 8. Data on Sarah's parents came from pedigree chart submitted by Joan Marie Willson-King AAFA #141. It was dated Feb 1989 and listed the father as "Taylor? Duke" and proceeded with two more Duke Generations.
- 9. Frank Pangburn trying to get a copy of obituary published in *Solano Republican*.
- 10. Frank Pangburn trying to get a copy of the obituary that appeared in *California Republican Advocate* Oct 11 1871
- 11. Ruth Moran shows her birth as between Jun 1 and Oct 27 1768.
- 12. Data Quality = 32 (40 40 80 88 00 00)
- 13. Data Quality = 16 (30 40 30 00 00 00)

- 14. Date of death could be date no longer listed in tax records. She was probably living with son Moses.
- 15. Ruth Moran shows his death as Nov/Dec 1805. He wrote his will Nov 14 1805 and probably died within the month after writing the will, as probate occurred in Dec 1805—unless a smudge is obscuring "1806."
- 16. We really have no idea when or where he was born.
- 17. Data Quality =12(00 00 33 00 33 00)
- 18. According to Frederick Co. deed, which verifies date but not place—she may very well have died in Amherst Co., VA where sons Thomas and William went.
- 19. He was fairly young when he died because all of his children were under 19 and the wording of the will suggested the wife might remarry.

#1029 Edward Atkinson "Ward" Twining, III WIL801NC/JAM687VA

- Charles Jennings Faulk born Mar 17 1874, Columbia, Houston Co., AL. He died Aug 29 1938, Dothan, Houston Co., AL¹, buried: Dothan, Houston Co., AL. Charles married Oct 12 1898, in Houston Co., AL:
- Margaret "Maggie" Alford, born Oct 11 1880, Columbia, Houston Co., AL², ref: mar880al², died Aug 23 1908, Dothan, Houston Co., AL, buried: Columbia, Houston Co., AL.
- 30. **Preston Giles Alford** born Nov 17 1840, Robeson Co., NC⁴, ref: PRE840NC⁵, married Dec 16 1875, in Houston Co., AL⁶, Lucy Thurman, born 1859, Gordon, Houston Co., AL⁷, died Mar 23 1926, Washington, D.C., buried: Columbia, Houston Co., AL. Preston died Sep 3 1890, Columbia, Houston Co., AL, buried: Columbia, Houston Co., AL. He was enumerated with his parents in 1850 Robeson Co., NC as age 9 born NC. He was with them in 1860 in Henry Co., AL as age 17. Where was he in 1870 and 1880? From Alabama Pension records: Preston Giles Alford, Houston Co. Private, Company A, 6th Alabama Infantry. Captain was Tom T. Smith; Colonel was Seibles. Preston Giles Alford enlisted 4 Jun 1861 and was taken prisoner at Langsters Cross Roads, VA on 17 Jul 1861 and later exchanged. He was sent from Ft. McHenry, Maryland to Ft. Monroe, VA on 13 Nov 1861. He died in Columbia, AL. Widow: Mrs. Lucy Alford was living in Columbia, AL "with my daughters" on the application date of 21 Feb 1920. On that date, she was 61 years, 5 months old. She married Preston Giles Alford on 16 Dec 1876. She mentioned she had also lived in Jackson Co., Florida. Children: Thurman Alford, railroading; Lucile Alford, govern-

- ment work; Daisy Alford Sanders, "keeping house for me." There was a Preston G. Alfred in Jackson Co., FL in 1870, age 27 born FL.
- 60. **Wiley Alford** born Jun 21 1801, Robeson Co., NC⁸, ref: WIL801NC, occupation Farmer⁹, married Sep 15 1836, in Robeson Co., NC, **Clarissa R. Fulmore**, born Mar 13 1818, Robeson Co., NC, died Apr 16 1902, Columbia, Houston Co., AL, buried: Robeson Co., NC¹⁰. Wiley died Nov 22 1878, Columbia, Houston Co., AL, buried: Columbia, Houston Co., AL. Those events listed as "Houston" county before 1903 were actually in that part of Henry Co. that became Houston in 1903. The census listed Wiley in Robeson Co., NC in 1850 age 49; Henry Co. in 1860 as age 60 and in 1870 as 69.
- 120. **Sion Alford** born Dec 12 1763, Robeson Co., NC¹¹, ref: SIO763NC¹², married **Clarky McTyer**, born Mar 5 1767, died Oct 7 1830. Sion died Jun 27 1832.
- 240. **Jacob Alford** born Dec 12 1738, New Kent Co., VA¹³, baptized: Feb 18 1738, New Kent Co., VA¹⁴, ref: JAC738VA¹⁵, married about 1758 in NC¹⁶, **Mary Pace**, born Feb __ 1740, died after 1810, Robeson Co., NC, buried: Fulmore Cemetery, Robeson Co., NC. Jacob died about 1814, Robeson Co., NC¹⁷. His will was dated July 4, 1794. [Editor's note: We will publish this will in a future issue of *AAFA ACTION*.] Some family tradition says he is buried in the Fulmore, sometimes called Ashpole, Cemetery in Robeson Co., NC, but there are no stones or other evidence of his burial there.
- 480. Lodwick Alford born about 1710, New Kent Co., VA¹⁸, ref: LOD710VA¹⁹, married (1) Elizabeth Cade, born Apr 29 1717, New Kent Co., VA, died May 29 1735, New Kent Co., VA; married (2) Susanna Cade, born Sep 25 1718; married (3) Unknown. Lodwick died 1800, Franklin Co., NC²⁰. There has long been a family tradition—reinforced by some DAR records that Lodwick married a Rebecca Ferrell. Nothing has been found to support this idea. A NC court record lists his wife as Sarah, and some believe he married Sarah, the widow of his brother Goodrich. It appears that the daughters of Goodrich were mentioned in Lodwick's will. There is nothing to indicate the mother of any of the children other than William (mother Elizabeth), Elizabeth and Jacob (mother Susanna), whose births are recorded in St. Peter's Parish, New Kent Co., VA.
- 960. James Alford born about 1687, probably New Kent Co., VA, ref: JAM687VA²¹, married Unknown. James died about 1730, New Kent Co., VA²². Birth and death

dates are estimates based on other recorded events in New Kent Co., VA in the St. Peter's Parish Register. PLEASE NOTE: It is not proven that he was the son of John Alford but there is some circumstantial evidence indicating that he is. His presence was mentioned in various entries of the St. Peter's Parish Vestry Book and Register from 1710 to 1721. See "Virginia Alfords—The New Kent County Years," AAFA ACTION Summer 1994, pp. 48–51, for a listing of these entries from C.G. Chamberlayne, The Vestry Book and Register of St. Peter's Parish, New Kent and James City Counties, Virginia, 1706-1786 (1937; reprint, Richmond: Virginia State Library and Archives, 1989).

1920.**John Alford** born about 1645, probably VA²³, ref: JOH645VA²⁴, married Unknown. John died Mar 14 1710, New Kent Co., VA²⁵. His presence was mentioned in various entries of the St. Peter's Parish Vestry Book and Register beginning in 1686 and ending with his death in 1710, although some of the entries during this time period may refer to a later John. Listings for a Mrs. Alford begin appearing in the records following the death of John—four times from 1713 to 1715 she is mentioned regarding payments for the card of an indigent worman and her child. See "Virginia Alfords—The New Kent County Years," *AAFA ACTION* Summer 1994, pp. 48–51, for a listing of these entries, as noted above under James Alford.

FOOTNOTES

- 1. Cecilia Twining
- 2. William Curry Harllee, Kinfolks: A Genealogical and Biographical Record of Thomas and Elizabeth (Stuart) Harllee, Andrew and Agnes (Cade) Fulmore, Benjamin and Mary Curry, Samuel and Amelia (Russell) Kemp, John and Hannah (Walker) Bethea, Sterling Clack and Frances (King) Robertson, Samuel and Sophia Ann (Parker) Dickey—Their Antecedents, Descendants, and Collateral Relatives, (New Orleans, LA: By the author, 1934), 1365 CA20f1a
- 3. Data Quality = 65 (63 86 64 75 86 42)
- 4. Harllee, Kinfolks, 1364-5 CA20f1
- 5. Data Quality = 66 (84 76 64 74 85 43)
- 6. Alabama Marriage List
- 7. Cecilia Twining shows born in "Gordon" NC. We have no Gordon listed for NC but there was a Gordonton in Person Co. and Gordontown in Davison Co. Perhaps "Gordon" was just an unlisted community. Harllee says Gordon, AL.
- 8. Harllee, Kinfolks, 1303 CA20ab3
- 9. Data Quality = 67 (65 73 86 74 86 43)
- 10. Was she buried in the Ashpole Church (Fulmore / Alford) Cemetery? She is not listed in the book of

- Robeson Co. Cemeteries. Source was Cecilia Twining.
- 11. Harllee, Kinfolks, 1303 CA20ab
- 12. Data Quality = 42 (84 76 64 00 43 00)
- 13. National Society of the Colonial Dames of America in the State of Virginia, *The Parish Register of Saint Peter's Parish, New Kent County, Virginia, 1680-1787* (1904; reprint, Bowie, MD: Heritage Books, 1988), p. 137
- 14. Colonial Dames, *The Parish Register of Saint Peter's Parish*, p. 137. Gives this date for death of William Alford but it does not specifically identify which William. There was another William, a contemporary of John Alford, William's father—it could have been him.
- 15. Data Quality = 44 (44 88 86 00 33 00)
- 16. Marriage date is an estimate at best.
- 17. Harllee, Kinfolks, 1456-20fA
- 18. His birth date is estimated. His presence is proved by several entries in the St. Peter's Parish Register, New Kent County, VA. His birth in VA is assumed.
- 19. Data Quality = 14 (22 20 33 11 00 00) for wife 1 and children 1-3 Data Quality = 06 (22 20 00 00 00 00) for other wives and children.
- 20. There is a will and court records to support the death of a Lodwick in Franklin Co. at about this time.
- 21. Data Quality = 08 (22 22 00 00 00 00)
- 22. Tressie Bowman's family group sheet shows he died there in 1721, but no source is given.
- 23. His date of birth is nothing more than a guess, as is his place of birth. See also John Boddie, *HISTORICAL SOUTHERN FAMILIES*, Vol XII, pp. 57-58.
- 24. Data Quality = 17 (00 10 00 00 88 00)
- 25. Colonial Dames, *The Parish Register of Saint Peter's Parish*, p. 53.

#1030 Cathy Moore Casper car872ga

Cathy does not know her full lineage yet. She has greatgrandparents and it stops there.

7. Carrie Alford was born Nov 11 1872 in GA and she died Sep 30 1899 in Macon, Bibb Co., GA. She married William Edgar Berry Aug 1 1893. He died on July 5 1949. ❖



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In Remembrance of AAFA Members

ELMER ADRON ALFORD 1916–1998 AAFA #608

Elmer Alford is the twin brother of Thelma Alford McGeorge, AAFA #603. They both attended our 1993 meeting in St. Francisville, LA, and were celebrating their 77th birthday later that month. Unknown to them Gil Alford obtained from their children several funny and interesting stories from their childhood that he told after the Saturday night dinner. At first they didn't know who he was talking about, but when they figured it out and Gil identified them, wishing them a happy birthday, they had tears in their eyes. We missed seeing them at future meetings, which they could not attend because of Elmer's wife Willie Jean's health.

HOUSTON CHRONICLE
Houston, TX—Monday, 29 June 1998

Elmer Adron Alford, born 10-28-16, died 6-27-98. Survived by wife, Willie Jean; daughters Joyce Harson and Nancy Dawkins; granddaughter Shelly Dawkins; and sister, Thelma McGeorge. Mr. Alford was a Merchant Marine in the Naval Reserve, a Master Mariner, and a 32nd Degree Mason. Service 1 pm Tues. June 30, 1998 at Forest Park Lawndale Chapel of the Woods. Miller Funeral Services, 8434 Pontiac, 981-1184.

THE MASTER, MATE & PILOT September–October 1998

Elmer A. Alford, of Houston, TX, died on June 27, 1998, at the age of 81. Mr. Alford last sailed as First Mate aboard the Transport for Eagle Terminal Tankers. He retired in June 1976. During his retirement, he enjoyed hunting, fishing, gardening and walking his dog Kaleen....

ALFORD ANCESTORS

Elmer Adron Alford born Oct 28
 1916, Hemphill, Sabine County, TX,
 married Willie Jean Meyer, born
 Jan 19 1918. Elmer died Jun 27
 1998, Houston, Harris County, TX.
 He was a Merchant Marine in the
 Naval Reserve, a Master Mariner,
 and a 32nd Degree Mason.

Their children:

- i Joyce Alford married _____ Harson.
- ii Nancy Alford.

Parents

- Adron Corbet Alford born Jun 23
 1893, Hemphill, Sabine County, TX,
 married Ada Conner. Adron died
 Nov 22 1970, buried: Oak Hill
 Cem., Hemphill, Sabine Co. TX.
- 3. Ada Conner born 1890, TX.

Their children:

Elmer Adron Alford and his wife Willie Jean at AAFA's 1993 meeting in Louisiana

- i **Elmer Adron Alford** born Oct 28 1916, twin of Thelma.
- ii Thelma Alford born Oct 28 1916, twin of Elmer. She married _____McGeorge. Thelma is AAFA #603.

Grandparents

- Jessie Powell Alford born Dec 18 1870, Hemphill, Sabine County, TX¹, occupation Teacher, married Emma Elizabeth Rice. Jessie died Oct 13 1898, Hemphill, Sabine County, TX, buried: Hemphill Cemetery, Sabine County, TX.
- 5. Emma Elizabeth Rice born Apr 9
 1866, Sabine County, TX, died Oct
 28 1907, Sabine County, TX, buried:
 Hemphill Cemetery, Sabine County,
 TX. It is assumed that she was
 named "Rice" because her children
 were living with uncle Marion J.
 Rice in 1910. Of course it may have
 been the aunt who was blood kin.

Great-Grandparents

8. Needham Bryant "Dick" Alford born Jul 30 1826, LA, married (1) about 1852, Ruthie Morris, born 1830, LA, married (2) about 1870; married (2) Frances Ann Partin. He married (3) Mary Pierson, married (4) Jul 30 1906, **Dicy** Alford, born about 1835, LA. Needham died Apr 17 1908, TX, buried: Hemphill Cemetery, Sabine County, TX. His nickname of "Dick" probably accounts for some of the apparently erroneous reports of a Richard Alford. He always said that as long as he could walk to the alter that he would not live alone. He did not live alone but he did die alone. Dicy went to LA to visit her family. The Sabine River flooded and she was unable to return on time as the ferry was not running. When she got home Needham was dead and buried. Family was with him but his wife was not.

9. Frances Ann Partin born Nov 11 1834, Marion County, MS, died Jan 20 1902, Hemphill, Sabine County, TX, buried: New Hope Cemetery, Sabine County, TX. She was previously married to A.L. Steele.

Alford Great-Great-Grandparents

- 16. Needham Judge Alford (Jacob⁴, Julius³, James², John¹) born Jul 12 1789, NC², occupation Minister, married Feb 18 1815, in Franklin County, MS, Martha Waddell. Needham died Sep 19 1869, Groesbeck, Limestone County, TX, buried: Horton Hill Cemetery, Limestone County, TX. [See the ancestry of Jacob⁴ Alford in this article under Haidee Reeves.]
- 17. **Martha Waddell** born May 15 1798, SC³, died Nov 7 1876, Limestone County, TX, buried: Horton Hill Cemetery, Limestone County, TX.

FOOTNOTES

- 1 Betty Wagstaff Family Group Record
- 2 His birth, death, and marriage are recorded in his family Bible.
- 3 Her birth, marriage and death are recorded in the family Bible.

FLOYD SHELBY ALFORD 1952–1996 AAFA #722

CHARLOTTE OBSERVER
Charlotte, NC—Tues., 12 March 1996

Floyd S. Alford Jr., general manager and editor of *The Daily Independent* in Kannapolis for 11 years, died the same day he returned home following surgery.

Alford, 44, underwent surgery on March 1 at Cabarrus Memorial Hospital and returned home Sunday.

He became ill Sunday afternoon and returned to the hospital, where he died.

In January, Alford was named advertising and marketing director of *The Daily Independent* and *Concord Tribune*, which will merge this year. He moved to Kannapolis in 1984.

Alford was born Jan. 9, 1952, in Raleigh. He graduated from Needham B. Broughton High School, attended Campbell College, and in 1974 graduated from UNC-Chapel Hill, receiving a bachelor of arts degree in journalism.

He worked as a reporter/photographer at *The Sampsonian* in Clinton, N.C., and later as advertising representative and advertising manager of *The Sampson Independent* in Clinton.

In July 1978, he was named publisher of the *Franklin County Times* in Russellville, Ala.

The funeral will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday at First Baptist Church in Kannapolis.

He won numerous press awards in advertising, column writing and photography in both North Carolina and Alabama.

He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd S. Alford Sr. of Raleigh; his wife, Julia Webb Alford; two sons, Zack Alford and Benjamin Alford; a daughter, Meredith Alford; and two sisters.

In another article:

CHARLOTTE OBSERVER Charlotte, NC—Tues., 21 March 1996

A newspaperman who cared, Floyd Alford's heart was in his community and in his home

Floyd Alford was a newspaperman who believed in Kannapolis. He was a community supporter and promoter; a friend to many and above all, a family man.

Floyd Shelby Alford Jr. died March 10 at Cabarrus Memorial Hospital in Concord as a result of complications from surgery on March 1. He was 44.

His wife, Julia, had brought him home from the hospital the previous Sunday, and the family was excited about celebrating daughter Meredith's 12th birthday.

Alford was the former editor of *The Daily Independent*, an 11,000-circulation Kannapolis newspaper. He was named in January as director of marketing and circulation for the paper, which is merging with *The Concord Tribune*.

"He was a friend to everyone who worked for him; they were his extended family," said Allan Boger, a reporter for the paper. Boger, who'd worked for Alford for 10 years, added, "He gave me a job when I needed one. I got back into the newspaper business thanks to Floyd Alford."

Alford, who had been an editor for 12 years, was a "regular person," Boger said. He was everybody's friend; he liked everybody and everybody liked him.

"Floyd protected you on some issues that sometimes were not popular with constituents. He was a guardian, and he became my friend."

Tom Dayvault, president and CEO of the Kannapolis Chamber of Commerce, had known Alford for 11 years. "You were automatically his friend the

Floyd Shelby Alford

first five minutes you met him. If you didn't end up that way, it was never his fault," Dayvault said.

"He was a great storyteller," Dayvault said. "He was always fun to do things with, but it was just as much fun to not do, but to hear about it. "

People here couldn't wait for him to get back from vacation to hear about it. They called his embellishments "Floydisms."

"He was attuned to the fact that the nature of Kannapolis was changing," said Jack Claiborne, former assistant vice president for Park Communications, which formerly owned *The Daily Independent*.

"Floyd was very communityminded; he saw and heard both sides. He was (the paper's) editor at the time and saw which way Kannapolis had to go and was very sensitive to it. He was trying to keep the best of the old and infuse the new. It was something that he took personally and was very much committed to it," Claiborne said.

Alford was a supporter of bringing minor league baseball to town. As chairman of the Kannapolis Chamber of Commerce, he told the city council in 1994, "Kannapolis is suffering. We need a true shot in the arm."

Thanks in part to Alford's support, the Piedmont Phillies moved to Kannapolis in 1995. Now known as the Piedmont Boll Weevils, the team calls Kannapolis' \$6.5 million Fieldcrest Cannon Stadium home.

"He gave of himself to the whole community and had a lot of titles," Dayvault said, "but 'Daddy' is the title he was most proud of. He worshiped his kids and family."

Floyd Alford is also survived by his sons, Zack and Benjamin Alford; parents, Floyd and Rachel Alford of Raleigh [AAFA #271]; sisters, Beverly Alford of Burlington [AAFA #345], Annette Alford of Greensboro; grandmother, Lela Alford of Zebulon....

AAFA NOTES: The obituary of Floyd's grandmother, Lala Batchelor Alford, is published in this issue. She died 14 August 1997 in NC. In this

issue, see also "Zollie and Lala Alford of Franklin Co., NC," written by Floyd's cousin Carol Batton Cheves, p. 50.

ALFORD ANCESTORS

Floyd Shelby Alford, Jr. b. Jan 9
1952, NC, m. Mar 20 1976, Julia
Webb, b. Dec 13 1950. Floyd died
Mar 10 1996, Concord, Carrabus
County, NC.

Parents

 Floyd Shelby Alford b. Aug 22 1923, Franklin County, NC, m. Jun 1 1946, in NC, Rachel Juanita Pearce, b. Apr 3 1923.

Grandparents

 Zollie Floyd Alford b. Jan 27 1900, Franklin County, NC, m. Dec 23 1922, in NC, Lala R. Batchelor b. Sep 25 1900, NC, d. Aug 14 1997, Pilot, Franklin County, NC, buried: Alford Cemetery, Pilot. Zollie died Mar 6 1977, NC.

Great-Grandparents

8. James Berry Alford b. May 15
1872, Dunn's Township, Franklin
County, NC, m. Mar 11 1899, in
Dunn's Township, Franklin County,
NC, Bettie A. Williams b. Aug 29
1875, NC. She died May 29 1962.
James died Mar 29 1950, Dunn's
Township, buried: Upchurch
Cemetery, Dunn's Twp.

Great-Grandparents

16. Berkley Moses Alford b. Jan 10 1849, Franklin County, NC, m. Oct 5 1871, in Louisburg, Franklin County, NC, Elizabeth Jane "Eliza" Upchurch. Berkley died Apr 3 1915, Zebulon, Wake County, NC, buried: Alford Cemetery Dunn's, Township, Franklin Co., NC. 17. Elizabeth Jane "Eliza"
Upchurch b. Jan ___ 1852, NC, d.
Nov 29 1919, Zebulon, Wake
County, NC, buried: Alford
Cemetery, Dunn's Township,
Franklin Co., NC. She was the
daughter of Ambrose Upchurch
and Harriet Pearce.

3rd Great-Grandparents

- 32. Kisar Alford b. about 1814, Franklin County, NC, m. Jan 1 1841, in Franklin County, NC, Martha M. Upchurch. Kisar died after 1870, NC, buried: Dunn's Township, Franklin County, NC.
- 33. Martha M. Upchurch; b. Feb ___ 1820, NC, d. after 1900, NC. She was the daughter of Berkley Upchurch and Alsey Pace.

HAIDEE KATHLEEN ALFORD REEVES 1901–1998 AAFA #210

Haidee's healh kept her from attending any of our annual meetings, but her influence on AAFA was great and far reaching. She was inducted into the AAFA Alford Hall of Fame at the 1996 meeting in Springfield, MO.

THE ADVOCATE Baton Rouge, LA—Sat., 15 Aug 1998

A retired educator with Livingston Parish school system and a resident of Albany, she died Friday, Aug. 14, 1998, at North Oaks Medical Center, Hammond. She was 96 and a native of Montegut. Visiting at Harry McKneely & Son Funeral Home, Hammond... Religious services at the funeral home chapel at 3 p.m. Sunday.... Interment in Amite Cemetery.

Survived by a son and daughterin-law, Paul and Nellie Adams Reeves, Baton Rouge [AAFA #66]; three sisters, Helen Bankston, Hammond [AAFA #398], Charity Johnson, Lake Charles, and Lillian McFarland, Houston; three grandchildren, Paul Reeves, Jr., Baton Rouge, Nelson Reeves, Jensen, Fla., and Lucille Barilleau, Baton Rouge; and five greatgrandchildren. Preceded in death by husband, Harry Reeves; two sisters, Lucille Cole and Mary Cory; three brothers, Clyde Alford, Bailey Alford Jr. and Eulon Alford [AAFA #213]; and parents, Bailey and Jennie Brumfield Alford. She was a member of Immanuel Baptist Church, Hammond, past regent of the Daughters of the American Revolution and a member of the U.D.C. and Colonial Dames.

ALFORD ANCESTORS

 Haidee Kathleen Alford born Oct 26 1901, Terrebonne Parish, LA, married Jun 10 1921, in Tangipahoa Parish, LA, Harry Richardson Reeves, born Apr 16 1896, died May 8 1965, Hammond, Tangipahoa Parish.

Parents

Bailey Monroe Alford born Jul 2
1875, Tangipahoa Parish, LA,
married Dec 31 1899, in Tangipahoa
Parish, Alice Jane Brumfield, born
Aug 12 1874, Tangipahoa Parish,
died Apr 14 1959. Bailey died May
5 1932, New Orleans, Orleans
Parish, LA, buried: Amite Cemetery,
Tangipahoa Parish.

He worked at several jobs—a mechanic for Brook-Scanlon Lumber Company, Dairy Farmer and for J.R. Watkins. Shortly after youngest son, Eulon, was born, the lumber company went out of business. He moved to Loranger, LA and went into the dairy business. After almost ten years of that the family moved to Livingston, LA where Bailey worked for J. R. Watkins.

After Bailey died in 1932 Alice moved back to Loranger and bought ten acres on which she had a five room house built. Later, as the family grew older, she purchased a house in Hammond.

Grandparents

4. Marshall Thomas Alford born Sep 29 1839, Washington Parish, LA, married Nov 20 1867, Charity Ann Self, born Sep 19 1844, died Nov 20 1922, Oakdale, Allen Parish, LA, buried: Beulah Baptist Church Cemetery, Tangipahoa Parish, LA. Marshall died May 24 1904, Tangipahoa Parish, buried: Beulah Baptist Church Cemetery, Tangipahoa Parish.

He was a private and corporal in Companies A and K, 3rd (Wingfield's) Louisiana Cavalry. He entered service at Camp Moore, LA May 13 1862. He was elected Corporal Jan 6 1863.

Great-Grandparents

8. **John Seaborn Alford** born Oct 11 1807, Washington Parish, LA, occupation Farmer, married 1834, **Margaret Brumfield**, born Feb 9 1819, Pike County, MS, died Sep 8 1885, Washington Parish, LA², buried: Alford Cemetery, Washington Parish. John died Nov 15 1891, Washington Parish³, buried: Alford Cemetery, Washington Parish.

John Seaborn Alford is buried on property that was his farm. It was later known as the Iddo Alford Farm and in the 1990s was owned by Nolan David Alford, AAFA #425. In the 1850 agricultural census John Alford was listed with 40 acres improved land and 600 unimproved—\$300 cash value of the farm. His farming implements and machinery was worth \$100. He had 3 horses, 4 working oxen, 30 other cattle, 50 swine with total value of livestock being \$450. He had laid by 250 bushels of Indian corn, 50 bushels of oats, 800 pounds of rice, 3 bales of

ginned cotton weighing 400 pounds each, and 100 bushels of sweet potatoes.

Great-Grandparents

16. Jacob Alford born Aug 15 1761, Bute County, NC, ref: JAC761NC, occupation Farmer⁴, married (1) about 1780, in NC, Elizabeth Bryant, born Jun 20 1765⁵, died 1789-92, Cumberland County, NC, married (2) about 1792, in Cumberland County, NC⁶, Frances Seaborn, born about 1766, VA⁷, died after 1860, Washington Parish, LA⁸. Jacob died Jul 16 1824, Washington Parish⁹.

Though born in Bute County, NC, Jacob lived in Franklin County after some reorganization of counties and later moved to Cumberland County where he was enumerated in 1790. Before 1795 he moved to Montgomery County, GA where tax and land records show he lived until about 1806. By 1807 he was in LA where his twin sons were born. LA land records prove that he had settled on land in what was to become Washington Parish by December 1807. He was given headrights on 641.32 acres in what was to become Section 54 with the north boundary on what was to become the state line and the eastern boundary on the Bogue Chitto River. The LA 1850 census shows several children born in GA.

3rd Great-Grandparents

32. **Julius Alford** (James², John¹) born Sep __ 1717, St. Peter's Parish, New Kent County, VA¹⁰, ref: JUL717VA, occupation Farmer¹¹, married **Lucy** ____, died after 1790¹². Julius died 1771, Bute County, NC¹³.

The source cited for the birth gives only the month and year. From a source not known at this time the date

of the 4th crept into the files. It has been removed until the source can be determined. [Information on James² and John¹ appears in this issue, "New Member Lineages" for #1029.]

At the Vestry held for St. Peter's Parish Oct 5 1735 it was ordered that "At the Petition of Wm. Paisley and Overseer of the High Road from the Old Church to Mr. Chamberlaynes Ordinary, That he have Wm. Atkinsons Titheables, Stephen Brooker, Lodowick Alford, Goodrich Alford, and Julius Alford, Micha. Harfields Tiths Ricd. Ross Majr Dandridge's, John Lightfoots, & Colo Custis's Tiths at the Quarr. and upon the River."

In his will Julius makes his brother Lodwick Alford and his son James the executors of his will. For a complete copy of the will, see "Will of Julius Alford, 1717–1771," *AAFA ACTION* Winter 1994, p. 30.

FOOTNOTES

- 1. Beulah Baptist Church Cemetery
- 2. Gravestone proves her birth and death dates.
- 3. Gravestones prove his birth and death dates.
- 4. Data Quality = 44 (44 75 62 40 75 00)
- 5. Birth based on Needham Judge Family Bible.
- 6. Place shown is only probable
- 7. Birth place is only probable.
- 8. She and her son Joseph were enumerated in the 1860 census.
- His birth and death dates are recorded in the Needham Judge Alford family Bible. Places of birth and death assumed based on circumstances.
- 10. National Society of the Colonial Dames of America in the State of Virginia, *The Parish Register of* Saint Peter's Parish, New Kent County, Virginia, 1680-1787 (1904; reprint, Bowied,MD: Heritage Books, 1988), 78
- 11. Data Quality = 30 (22 66 33 00 44 00)

- 12. Lucy was enumerated in the 1790 census of Franklin Co., NC.
- 13. His will was written July 14, 1768 and proved in the November 1771 session of the Bute County Court. Bute County was cut into Warren and Franklin County in 1779.

HOLLIS WILTON ALFORD 1921–1998 AAFA #196

Hollis and Arliene were regulars at AAFA meetings as long as his health would permit. Those who were at the meetings in Houston, TX, Jackson, MS, or Destin, FL will remember them. They were registered for the St. Francisville meeting but had to cancel. It was the same for the Richmond, VA meeting, but sons Roy and Dave did attend as they had at previous meetings. Wife Arliene and sons have remained active in AAFA, but Hollis will be missed.

THE BEAUMONT ENTERPRISE
Beaumont, TX—Tues., 6 Oct 1998

Hollis Wilton Alford, 76, of Hemphill died Oct. 2 at Lufkin Memorial Hospital in Lufkin.

Funeral will be at 1 p.m. Thursday at Truitt Chapel in Joaquin with cremation at Haven of Rest Crematory in Beaumont under the direction of Starr Funeral Home in Hemphill.

A native of Keltys and a former resident of Corpus Christi, he lived in Hemphill 30 years and was a retired school teacher for the Hemphill Independent School District. He was an Army Air Corps veteran of World War II.

Survivors include his wife, Arliene Alford of Hemphill; sons, Roy L. Alford [AAFA #208] of Conroe and David E. Alford [AAFA #615] of Alto; brothers, Roy C. Alford of Gardendale and Douglas L. Alford [AAFA #204] of Graham; and nieces and nephews.

In another article:

ODESSA AMERICAN
Odessa, TX—Wed., 7 Oct 1998

JOAQUIN—Hollis Wilton Alford, 76, of Hemphill, a retired teacher, died Friday, Oct. 2, 1998, at Lufkin Memorial Hospital.

Services will be held at 1 p.m. Thursday at Truitt Chapel.... Burial will be at Haven of Rest Cemetery in Beaumont. Arrangements by Starr Funeral Home Inc.

He was born in Keltys and moved to Hemphill 30 years ago from Corpus Christi. He was an Army Air Corps veteran of World War II.

SURVIVORS: [same as *Beaumont Enterprise* obituary]

ALFORD ANCESTORS

Hollis Wilton Alford born Dec 24
 1921, Keltys, Angelina County, TX, occupation Teacher, married Nov 3
 1942, in Lufkin, Angelina County, TX, Arliene Ferguson, born Jan 13
 1923, Tenaha, Shelby County, TX. Hollis served as a Staff Sergeant in the Air Force.

Parents

2. Elton Clyde "Bud" Alford born Oct 29 1894, Hudson, Angelina County, TX, occupation Farmer, married Dec 22 1920, in Brownwood, Brown County, TX, Viola Sawyer, born May 11 1901, Gonzales, Gonzales County, TX, died Nov 23 1995, Many, Sabine Parish, LA, buried: Democrat, Comanche County, TX. Elton died Feb 8 1969, Big Spring, Howard County, TX, buried: Democrat, Comanche County, TX. Elton Clyde served in the U. S. Army.

Grandparents

4. Julius Caesar "J.C." Alford born

Oct 7 1864, Rusk County, TX, occupation Farmer, married Feb 24 1890, in Nacogodches, Nacogdoches County, TX, **Melissa Bruce**, born Dec 28 1861, Homer, Angelina County, TX, died Jan 16 1920, Lufkin, Angelina County, TX, buried: Old Union Cemetery, Lufkin. Julius died Dec 31 1928, Brownwood, Brown County, TX, buried: Old Union Cemetery, Lufkin.

Enumerated on 1900 Census in Angelina County, TX with their three children and two stepsons by Melissa's previous marriage: Jim Allen 17 and Lewis Allen 14. In 1910 only Elton and Lewis Allen were still with J.C. and Isabella.

Great-Grandparents

8. Marmaduke "Duke" Alford born 1833, AL, occupation Farmer, married Dec 16 1858, in Toro, Sabine Parish, LA, Isabella "Annie Bell" McGraw, born 1842, TX. Marmaduke died after 1870, Probably TX.

In 1850 he was enumerated in Scott County, age 17 born in AL, with the family of Henry Robbins. In 1860 he was enumerated as M.D. Alford, age 24 in Sabine Parish, LA. As part of the family was wife Isabella and daughter Frances. In 1870 he was enumerated as Marland Alfred in Nacogdoces County, TX with Francis, Martha, Julius, Mary and Alsey E. Prior to the Civil War he resided in Toro, Sabine Parish, LA. In the Civil War he was a private in Company C, 27th Louisiana Infantry Regiment. He enlisted March 23, 1862 in New Orleans. He was captured and paroled July 4, 1863 at Vicksburg, MS.

Great-Grandparents

16. **John Alford** born about 1801, NC¹, ref: JOH801NC², married Unknown. John died AL??

See further information on John Alford in this issue, "New Member Lineages" for #1027.]

JULIUS ANDERSON "JAKE" ALFORD, JR. 1927–1998 AAFA #717

Julius "Jake" Alford attended only the meeting in Decatur, AL, but he was active in AAFA and left his mark on the association. While he will be missed, we are pleased that his wife Mary has notified us that she wants to continue with an active membership.

WINSTON-SALEM JOURNAL Winston-Salem, NC—23 June 1998

HIGHLANDS—Julius Anderson "Jake" Alford, Jr., 70, of Clear Creek Road, Highlands, died Thursday, June 11, 1998 at his home. Funeral services were held Saturday, June 13, at 2 p.m. in the Goldmine Baptist Church.... Pallbearers were Ray McCall, John McCall, Gilbert Beck, Bobby Creswell, Tom Coffey and Dick Watson. Burial was in the Mt. Moriah Cemetery. The Franklin VFW Post 7339 and American Legion Post 108 conducted complete military graveside rites....

He was a native of Jackson County, Mississippi [sic—should be Hinds Co.], the son of the late Julius A. Sr. and Hilma Burdine Alford. He was retired after 28 years of service in the U.S. Air Force. He owned and operated Highlands Refrigeration and was a 25-year member of the Highlands Lions Club. He is survived by his wife of 51 years, Mary Virginia "Ginny" Dunkin Alford; three daughters, Holly (Tom) Coffey of Pfafftown, Julie McCall of Highlands, and Michelle "Shelly" Alford-Williams of San Jose, California; three sons, Steven "Andy" Alford of Goldmine, Greg P. Alford of Atlanta, GA and Christopher Alford of Greensboro; a sister, Patricia Granberg of Blanco, TX; and nine grandchildren....

Bryant Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

ALFORD ANCESTORS

1. Julius Anderson Alford, Jr. born Aug 7 1927, Jackson, Hinds County, Mississippi, occupation USAF & air conditioning, married May 18 1947, in Dallas, Dallas County, TX, Mary Virginia Dunkin, born Feb 18 1925, Greenville, Hunt County, TX, occupation registered nurse. After 28 years in the U.S. Air Force he was in the air conditioning and refrigeration business in Highlands, NC. Julius was present at AAFA's 1995 meeting in Alabama.

Parents

Julius Anderson Alford born Sep 3
1903, Raymond, Rankin County,
Mississippi, occupation cotton mill
belt maker, married Apr 28 1925, in
Hinds County, Mississippi, Helma
Burdine, born Jan 18 1908, Perry
County, Mississippi¹, died Jun 12
1970, Greenwood, SC, buried:
Blanco, Blanco County, TX. Julius
died Oct ___ 1980, Greenwood, SC,
buried: Greenwood, SC.

They moved to SC and had a summer home in Highland, NC where his sister Vera lived after 1958. His company made the massive leather belts cotton mills. He was owner of General Leather Company.

Grandparents

4. Harvey Warren Alford born Nov 25 1865, Steens Creek, Rankin County, MS², occupation farmer & night watchman, married Dec 20 1895, in Rankin County, MS³, Daisy Dean Williams, born Jan 7 1877, Steens Creek, Rankin County, died Sep 3 1964, Jackson, Hinds County, MS⁴, buried: Forest Hill Cemetery, Hinds County, MS. Harvey died Aug 26 1951, Hinds County⁵, buried: Forest Hill Cemetery, Hinds County.

Many of the events and much of the activity pertaining to this family took place in the Monterey Community in Rankin County. As a night watchman he worked for Buckeye Cotton Oil Mill in Jackson, MS.

Great-Grandparents

8. **Jacob A. Alford** born about 1835, Greene County, AL, married Feb 26 1862, in Rankin County, MS, **Sarah Ann Myrick**, born Harrison County, MS. Jacob died Monterey, Rankin County, MS.

Great-Grandparents

 Julius Alford born about 1803, Franklin County, NC, married about 1826, Sarah Sanderford, born 1809, NC, died after 1892. Julius died 1860s, Lauderdale County, MS.

3rd Great-Grandparents

32. **Jacob Alford** born about 1781, NC, married **Melva** _____. Jacob died after 1830, AL or MS.

4th Great-Grandparents

64. **John Alford** (Julius³, James², John¹) born about 1747, NC, married **Chloe Pope**. John died after 1830, Greene County, AL. [Information on Julius³ appears in this article under Haidee Reeves;

information on James² and John¹ appears in this issue, "New Member Lineages" for #1029.]

FOOTNOTES

- 1. Julius A. Anderson
- Ruby Heard had Nov 26 1868.
 Julius A. Alford says his data came from Daisy's Bible.
- 3. Ruby Heard had Dec 19.
- 4. Ruby Heard had Sep 4 death.
- 5. Some of the information on him and his children/grandchildren came from a book published on the Cooper family by Nina Anderson Myers.
- 6. National Society of the Colonial Dames of America in the State of Virginia, *The Parish Register of Saint Peter's Parish, New Kent County, Virginia, 1680-1787* (1904; reprint, Bowie, MD: Heritage Books, 1988), p. 78.

RICHARD ALLEN ALFORD 1929–1998 AAFA #154

Genealogy is the hobby of Dick's wife, Arlene, so it was through her that we got to know this family. Gil and Arlene have corresponded long and often about Dick's Alford line, but Arlene said that what Dick liked to do after his retirement was to go fishing!

THE LEDGER

Lakeland, FL—Sunday, 25 Oct 1998

LAKELAND—Mr. Richard Allen Alford lived in the same north Lakeland home for 45 years where he raised his children by example.

Mr. Alford taught them to be honest and helpful people and he came to be relied on by neighbors to lend a hand whenever it was needed.

He died Friday (Oct. 23, 1998) while sleeping in that same home surrounded by memories. He was 69.

"He believed in always being honest," said his wife of 48 years,

Arlene Alford. "He was a wonderful husband and a super father. He taught our children to live an honest life and he was a good neighbor to everybody."

Born in Monroe, La., on Aug. 27, 1929, he moved to Lakeland as an infant. He attended local schools and graduated from Kathleen High School in 1947.

After graduating he enlisted in the Navy, where he served aboard the USS Stockham. He served for five years, including two in Yokosuka, Japan, as a storekeeper first class.

After returning home he worked briefly for Florida-Georgia Tractor Co. before joining H.F. Mason as a stenographer. He remained there for 25 years, working his way up to office manager and then vice-president.

Mr. Alford started a second career as manager of sales at Conibear RV Center in 1979. He worked there for 13 years before retiring to enjoy having the time to do whatever he wanted.

His wife said that he really enjoyed taking it easy after retirement, with his only commitment being weekly dinners with his family, including the grandchildren who he enjoyed spending time with.

"He'd get out there and play with those kids when he was feeling good," she said. "He enjoyed throwing a ball around and was always fixing up little bikes and things for them to have at the house."

Mr. Alford attended Bethel Baptist Church.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by his son, Rick Alford, Lakeland; daughters, Linda C. Dedman, Lakeland, Shari A. Bruno, Auburndale; five grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

[Added by Arlene Alford: He was preceded in death by his father, William Hinton Alford Sr., and his mother, Ida Mae Alford. He is also survived by his brother, William Hinton Alford Jr.]

Visitation will be from 6 to 8 p.m. Monday at Lanier Funeral Home, 717 Griffin Road, Lakeland. Services will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday at Bethel Baptist

ALFORD ANCESTORS

1. Richard Allen Alford, Sr. born Aug 27 1929, Ouachita Parish, LA, married Jun 16 1950, in Miller County, GA, Dorothy Arlene Costine, born Dec 11 1930, Polk County, FL. Served U. S. Navy April 13, 1948–March 27, 1953, Naval Fleet Activities, Yokosuka, Japan; USS Stockham (DD683).

Parents

2. William Hinton Alford born Nov 22 1906, Emanuel County, GA¹, married Nov 30 1927, Ida Mae Lewis, born Feb 16 1913, Cook County, GA, died Nov 14 1992, buried: Oak Hill Burial Park, Polk County, FL. William died Mar 9 1991, buried: Oak Hill Burial Park, Polk County.

Grandparents

4. William Peter Alford born Jun 18
1881, Putnam County, GA, married
1900, in Emanuel County, GA,
Nettie Forehand, born Jul 2 1882,
Emanuel County, GA, died Oct 18
1950, Polk County, FL, buried:
Memorial Gardens, Auburndale,
Polk Co., FL. William died Dec 11
1964, Polk County, FL, buried:
Memorial Gardens, Auburndale.

Great-Grandparents

8. **Green Colquitt Alford** born Feb 18 1853, GA, married Dec 5 1877, **Camilla Lunsford**, born 1861, Wilkes County, GA, died Jun 14 1938, Clinchfield, Bibb County, GA². Green died Sep 8 1933, Polk County, FL.

Great-Grandparents

16. William Alford born Apr ___

1825, Morgan County, GA, married Jan 25 1849, in Morgan County, GA³, **Susan Bryant**, born about 1826, Warren County, GA, died Oct 12 1906, Laurens County, GA, buried: Bethsadia, near Dublin, Laurens Co. William died Feb 5 1909, Emanuel County, GA, buried: Bethsadia, near Dublin, Laurens Co.

3rd Great-Great-Grandparents

32. William Alford born about 1794, NC, ref: WIL794NC, occupation Farmer, married (1) Nov 7 1812, in Franklin County, NC, Mason Gay, married (2) Jan 3 1830, in Putnam County, GA, Jane Kinnon, married (3) Mar 4 1842, in Putnam County, GA, Rebecca

Richard Allen Alford

V. Thornton. William died in 1882, Putnam or Morgan County, GA⁴.

Will of William Alford, 1874

The following is from a transcript prepared by the late Guy Alford, a descendant.

Georgia, Morgan County:

In the name of God, Amen. I, William Alford of the County of Putnam and said state, being of sound mind & disposing memory and wishing to dispose of my property while in life, to take effect after my death, do make this my last will and testament, hereby revoking all wills by me at any time heretofore made.

Item 1st. My will is, that all my legal and just debts be paid by my executors hereinafter named, so soon after my death as the same can be done without injury to my estate.

Item 2nd. My will is, that my entire property both real and personal of any description be by my executors named, sold at public outrcy as the law provides and my estate be converted into cash.

Item 3rd. My will is, that from the proceeds of my estate my executors pay over to my stepdaughter Mary Ann Thornton, the sum of fifty dollars which is to be in full of her entire interest, she being relieved from payment of board and all other claims in favor of my estate.

Item 4th. My will is, that my executors pay from my estate four hundred & seventy five dollars to my daughter Roena Hooks, wife of John Hooks, which is to in full for her entire interest in my estate - she being relieved from all claims against her in favor of my estate.

Item 5th. My will is, that my executors pay over from my estate four hundred and seventy five dollars to Thomas Robins as trusee (sic) for the sole & separate use of my daughter Caroline Smith, wife of Francis P. Smith and her children, said Robins not to be

required to give bond on account to said trust, which sum is to be in full of the entire interest of said Caroline in my estate, she to be relieved from all liability in favor of my estate.

Item 6th. My will is, that the remainder of my entire estate, after paying the foregoing legacies, be equally divided between my three sons, John Alford, Green B. Alford & William Alford, share and share alike.

Item 7th. My will is, that in the event of the death of any of my children herein named prior to my death, the children of such deceased child, are to stand in the place of and receive that portion of my estate that the parent would have received under this will, in life.

Item 8th. I hereby constitute and appoint my three sons John Alford, Green B. Alford and William Alford executors of this my last will and testament, all of whom are to be relieved from any liability against them in favor of my estate,

This July 14th 1874. Signed by William Alford and witnessed by C.H. Andrews, P.S. Burney and Jos M. High.

Notice that there was no Thomas listed in the will suggesting that the Thomas "Clausburg" enumerated with William in 1850 was not a son, or else he died before the will was written.

We have a lot of "facts" about William Alford but none of them prove a connection here. There is a bit of conflicting data so we will lay out what we have here and hope someone can help unravel things.

There was another William Alford and son William Alford in and around Hancock County, GA and they must not be confused with these. That was another well identified and documented family. Another was the son of James of Greene and Hancock Counties who later appeared in Troup County. He was known by several names such as Wiley, Willie, etc. He was about the same age as our subject.

The senior Kinchen Alford's will in NC and the letter written by his son Kinchen in Georgia proves that Kinchen had a son named William who went to Georgia. Indications are he was in the Morgan-Putnam counties area

There is supposed to be a family Bible which the compiler has never seen which states that William was born 1789 in Wake County, NC. The date would fit without any problem but Kinchen was in Franklin County, NC. However, the proximity of Alfords along the boundary between Wake and Franklin Counties was such that one cannot use one county or the other as an argument against a connection. The Bible supposedly goes on to say that William married Mary Mason. So far we have seen nothing else to support the marriage or person.

A published list of Franklin County, NC marriages shows that Williams Alford married Mason Gay Nov 7 1812 with Bannister Pipen bondsman and G. Hill, Jr. as witness. So far we have not found a William/Williams Alford in this area in 1820-30.

William Allford appears in the 1820 census of Putnam County, Georgia. He and his wife were born between 1775 and 1794. They had two daughters and a son all under age ten.

In 1830 there was no William Alford in Putnam County but in adjoining Morgan County there was such a family. He and his wife were born between 1790 and 1800. There was a son and daughter under 5, 2 sons and a daughter age 5–10 and 3 sons and a

daughter ages 10-15.

That may have been a new wife in 1830 because there is a reported marriage in Putnam County between William Alford and Jane Kinnon, Jan 3 1830

The 1840 census of Morgan County shows William without a wife. The only female was under age 5. William was born between 1780 and 1790. He also had 2 sons under age 5 and 1 son age 5–10.

There was another William Alford marriage in Putnam County. March 4, 1842 William married a Rebecca Vining Thornton. He must have needed someone to take care of those babies.

A study of the census data from 1820–1840 suggests that William had about nine sons and five daughters. Is the difference between those and the ones listed in the will to be accounted for by early deaths? CAN WE OBTAIN TAX RECORDS FOR SOME OF THIS PERIOD TO REINFORCE THIS DATA?

In 1850 William is in Putnam County age 58, born (about 1792) in NC and the senior female in the household is "Mary Ann" and the AAFA extraction shows age 53. It is thought that this is Mary Ann Thornton, the stepdaughter mentioned in the will. It is assumed that Rebecca Thornton was deceased by 1850.

In 1860 William Alford, born in NC and age 66 (= born about 1794) is enumerated in Putnam County. Living with him is his son Green Alford and a female, supposedly Green's wife M.A. [Martha Ann Arnett]. and William's son Henry age 22.

In 1870 William is in Putnam County age 77, born (1793) in GA. With him was son Green Alford and apparently his step daughter, Maria Thornton age

35. AAFA does not have any 1880 GA census except the soundex.

The family Bible says that William died in 1882.

Notice that the will showed in the very beginning to be in Morgan County, but William stated he was of Putnam County—further evidence that we should be careful about putting too much emphasis on one county or the other.

Note that his will's mention of stepdaughter Mary Ann Thornton pretty well proves the marriage to Rebecca V. Thornton.

Guy Alford commented: "On the day I copied this will, I did not have time to study the probate proceedings or jot down more data. In glancing at other parts of the record, however, I observed that the nominated executors, the three sons of the testator, declined to qualify. That a man named Marshall was named, by the court and by areeement of the parties, apparently, to adminster the estate."

4th Great-Great-Grandparents

64. **Kinchen Alford** (Lodwick³, James², John¹) born 1768, Bute County, NC⁵, married May 16 1789, in Franklin County, NC, **Linnea Williams**. (There is some question about her name—it appears as Linny, Sinny, etc., probably due to handwriting interpretations.) Kinchen died after 1854, Franklin Co.⁶ [Information on Lodwick³, James², and John¹ appears in this issue, "New Member Lineages" for #1029.]

Will of Kinchen Alford, 1848

The following is a transcription taken from LDS Library microfilm 0018914, Franklin Co., NC 1848-1859 Book O, p. 153. [Upper case letters added for emphasis.] In the name of God Amen. I Kinchen Alford, of the county of Franklin and State of North Carolina, being of sound mind and memory, do make and constitute this my last will and testament. 1. That my executor or administrator out of the proceeds of my estate pay my burial expenses as well as all of my just debts. 2. That my wife Sinny Alford should she survive me have the use during her natural life of our residue of my estate. 3. I bequeath to WILLIAM ALFORD \$232 to bear interest from the 31st Jan 1848. 4. To SIPPY ALFORD the sum of \$232 to bear interest from 31st Jan 1848. 5. To KINCHEN ALFORD the sum of \$232 to bear interest from 31st Jan 1848, 6, To ELIZA-BETH WILLIAMS, wife of M.D. Williams, the sum of \$232 and? from the 31st Jan 1848. I loan during her natural life and at her decease I give the same to her children then living. 7. To after the decease of my wife LINNEY [or SINNEY] ALFORD that my estate left her as foresaid be sold and this amount stated before be paid out of the smae and that the residue be equally divided between my lawful heirs with the exception of Burgess Mullins and his heirs. 8. I appoint Bryant Young and SIMON ALFORD my executors to hereby make all and all former wills by me made Executor under my hand. 15th day of Nov 1848 Kinchen Alford

Codicil to Will, 1851

Whereas, I KINCHEN ALFORD, having made my last will of testament, in writing bearing date the 15th day of Nov 1848 I have hereby made sundry ______ bequest according to the then existing circumstance of my estate, but which circumstances having now changed. I do by this my writing, which I hereby

declare to be a codicil to my said will to be taken and _____. I direct that the sum of \$220.72 only be paid to each of my sons and daughter (that is to say) William, Sippy, Kinchen, and Elizabeth in full, instead of the sum of \$232 as directed in said part of my will. But that they shall have the interest on this sum of \$232 up to the present date and afterward in this part of my last will and testament of \$220.72 up to the final settlement of the whole to be disposed of by my executors as directed in said part of my will and testament of which this codicil is a part executed in my hands and made this 5th day of Feb 1851.

Kinchen Alford

Gift of Deed, 1854

The following is a transcription of a photocopy of the document described.

This Indenture made this Twenty Third of November in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty four between KINCHEN ALFORD of the County of Franklin and State of North Carolina of the one part and SIMON ALFORD his son of the County and State aforesaid of the other part Witnesseth that I the said KINCHEN ALFORD for divers good causes _ moving me, but more Especially for the natural Love and tender affection that I have to my son SIMON, I the said KINCHEN ALFORD doth hereby give grant Convey and Confirm unto him the said SIMON ALFORD to him and his heirs and assigned forever one certain tract or parcel of Land Lying in the County and State aforesaid and on the beaver dam branch and bounded as follows beginning at a poplar which is Jones and Thorps Corner & running North to Thorps corner &

then running East Thorps Line and then south to Bunns Line containing one hundred acres be the same more or less.

The same to contain be the same more or less together with all the improvements thereunto belonging to enjoy free and clear forever and I the said KINCHEN ALFORD doth hereby warrant and forever defend a good Lawfull Right Title and Interest unto the said land and premisis before mentioned unto him the said SIMON ALFORD to him his heirs and assigns forever against any person or persons whatever holding or claiming any Rights Title or Interest unto the above mentioned land and premises. signed sealed and delivered in the presence of us.

W.S. Cheves His Mark KINCHEN ALFORD his mark Duncan Bunn

State of North Carolina Franklin County I Young Patterson Clerk of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions for the County aforesaid certify that the execution of the foregoing Deed of Gift is proven before me at my office by the oath of William S. Cheves a subscribing witness thereto, therefore let it be Registered this 7th day of October AD 1856.

Y. Patterson CCC The foregoing Deed is truly registered this 7th day of October AD 1856. Attest. P Yound PR.

FOOTNOTES

- 1. His death certificate shows born Statesboro, Chandler County.
- 2. According to her son Olin's handwritten note.
- 3. Guy Alford material says married in Warren County, GA.
- 4. WHERE WAS HE BURIED? WHAT INSCRIPTIONS ARE ON HIS TOMBSTONE? WHO ARE THE OTHERS BURIED IN THE

CEMETERY AND WHAT DO THEIR STONES SAY?

- He was identified as a child of Lodwick in Lodwick's 1792 will.
 His age is based on the 1850 Franklin County, NC census.
- 6. Copies of his will are available but the date of death is not known.

ROSETTA ETHYLE DAVISON JONES 1910–1998 AAFA #405

KANSAS CITY STAR
Kansas City, MO—Sat., 12 Dec 1998

R. Ethyle Jones, 88, Fredonia, KS, passed away Thursday, December 10, 1998, at Fredonia Regional Hospital. Funeral services will be 1 p.m. Monday, December 14, at Timmons Funeral Home, Fredonia; burial in Gracelawn Cemetery, Howard, KS.... Memorial contributions may be made to Longton Historical Society in care of the funeral home.

Ethyle was born October 27, 1910, in Plad, MO. She had been employed by City Publishing in Independence, KS, was an insurance agent for Farmer's Insurance in Longton, KS, and was a former owner of Ethyle's Browsing antique shop in Longton and Lyons, KS. She attended the Christian Church. She was a member of the Clan Davidson Society, Alford [American] Family Association, Longton Historical Society, Dallas County, MO, Historical Society and Elk County Historical Society.

She was preceded in death by three brothers and one sister. Survivors include two sons, Robert D. Jones, Coffeyville, KS, and William A. Jones, Phoenix, AZ; one daughter, Shirley L. Jones Hite, Fredonia, KS; one brother, Jack Mead, Chesapeake, VA; one sister, Geneva Pegg, Englewood, CO; 12 grandchildren; 24 great-grandchildren; four stepgreatgrandchildren; and

five great-great-grandchildren. (Arrangements: Timmons Funeral Home, Fredonia, KS)

Eulogy for Ethyle Jones

By Janine Davison Hernbrode, Ethyle's second cousin Sent by Ethyle's daughter, Shirley Hite AAFA #415

It was my Dad, Lonnie Davison, who located his cousin Ethyle in Lyons, Kansas, after almost a lifetime of growing up separately. He was so thrilled to reestablish contact.

Ethyle's father, William Arthur Davison, died very young when she was only six years old. Her mother, Nettie, moved her young children from Missouri to Oklahoma to be near her own family, where she could rear them with the love and support of doting uncles. Nettie became a seamstress, making the black Sunday dresses women wore then. Life was hard, but in the bosom of her mother's family, Ethyle grew to adulthood, knowing little of the Davisons.

If she was like the rest of us, she had to explain thousands of times that her name was DAVISON, not DaviDson. She must have been greatly relieved to trade her maiden name for the married name of Jones.

I met Ethyle because I was humoring my mother. We were crossing Kansas on the way to visit Dad's relatives in Missouri and she wanted to stop and see Ethyle and Glada. Mom thought it was her own farewell tour because Dad had died and she would not travel that way alone again. I had told her I would take her to Missouri whenever she wanted to go, and now we were on our way.

My first thoughts when we found Ethyle's house were about what she would be like. Would she be like some of the other Davison women I knew? One of my dad's sisters had been surprised when she crossed from Missouri into Kansas—surprised to find that the ground was still the same color. The map in her geography book showed Missouri as brown but Kansas was pink! I tried to conceal my wariness as we walked to the door.

When Ethyle answered our knock, I was delightfully surprised. She was at the same time warm and yet kind of authoritative. She commanded herself well. She had humor and vitality. And her brain worked. With some people kinship just feels right. She was one of those.

She had decided to work on genealogy and asked some questions of us about the Davison family—questions I did not know the answers to and neither did Mom, but we were headed toward the Missouri Ozarks and others who might know. I didn't realize it then, but I was hooked! Once I had asked some of her questions and found no one knew the answers, solving the mysteries became consuming.

So Ethyle and I embarked on the adventure of a search for family origins. We had a great time. What we found was a very old pioneer family full of interesting stories and life on the American frontier.

The search was entertaining to say the least. At one point Ethyle had been told to go look up a Charlie Brown who lived in Fair Play, Missouri, because he remembered just about everything that had happened around there. When we found Charlie, he was trying to give away puppies, but we finally got him focused on whatever he could recall about the Davisons. When we asked where they had lived, he said, "Well, I don't rightly know. Them Davisons moved around like maggots in a hot ash pile." In his own way, he was right. Land sales records

at the Courthouse told us they had speculated on land and bought and sold numerous properties.

Ethyle and I spent one Memorial Day sitting in a cemetery at the gravesite of our great-great-grandfather who had been killed in the Civil War. We thought someone might show up and we would find out about another branch of the family, but mostly we cooked ourselves in the hot sun. We did find out that these things take time. We left some papers in a fruit jar at the gravesite and have since been contacted three times by various branches of the family.

Over the years we found out about many members of the Davison family. There was Dolly Hayes Hutchins who raised not only her own family and successfully ran a boarding house and hotel, but took in the retarded child of another family member and the orphan children of yet another. They called her "Dolly" but her real name was "Louisa Jane," named after her

And then there were the Akards. Bill Akard was world shooting champion from 1905 to 1917. He worked with Will Rogers as part of his employment by the Remington Arms Company.

aunt and our

great-great-

grandmother.

He did the shooting act and Will Rogers did the roping act. His reputation as a crack shot owning a room full of guns, according to a newspaper article, made some bank robbers give up on robbing the bank at Fair Play and instead made them choose the bank at Aldrich, twelve miles away. His grateful community remembers him still.

For Ethyle and me, the search was the wonderful thing. We found William Tilford Davidson (yes, DaviDson), who was our great-great-grandfather. As soon as Missouri was opened for settlement in 1830, he was there. He owned a pair of the fanciest horses in the county (flashy transportation must be in the genes). At the same time that Lewis and Clark were becoming the first white Americans to explore west of the Mississippi River,

Ethyle Davison Jones and Joshua Hite, Shirley Hite's youngest grandchild, at Ethyle's 87th birthday on 29 October 1997

William and his family were already settling in Illinois and central Tennessee when they were still territories.

We found judges, county clerks and justices of the peace, an elder in the Primitive Baptist Church, farmers, members of the Masons, a postmaster, a bank president, and owners of the county's largest whisky still. But mostly we found merchants and small business owners who offered their homes and businesses as voting places when there were no public buildings in the county. We found one unfortunate woman whose name was Clementine Belva Dora Davison. She either changed her name or died (possibly of embarassment). We couldn't find anything else about her.

We found that we are, in some small ways, just like the people who came before us. Ethyle, like many of those I just mentioned, was very interested in politics. She added the politics of health care to her concerns. She had seen the inside of nursing homes and decided that was not for her, and she got her wish. Who could possibly want her to be bedridden and blind, living out her days forsaking the independence she so treasured.

In the course of knowing her, our family search led us to become more than cousins and friends. I admired her wonderful memory for names and places and the inquisitiveness she applied to the search. She was self educated in history. Reading and studying occupied her days. When the people around her turned to television for entertainment, she retreated to her books and papers, trying to understand the challenges of other times and places, and the people who were caught up in those times.

Now, Shirley and I will continue the search because she infected both of us with it. But oh, how we will miss her. If someday you are visiting her gravesite and find a fruit jar with some

new information in it, you'll know it is our lame attempt to share a particularly exciting discovery with her. God be with you, Ethyle—you gave us a part of yourself and it was a wonderful gift.

Ethyle's granddaughter Jennie Jones, daughter of Bill Jones, wrote "Circle of Love," excerpted in part below, and read by the minister at the gravesite as all twelve grandchildren stood together, with the four granddaughters holding a yellow rose that they placed on the casket.

Grandma, in your honor we form this circle as the first generation that gave you the very special title of Grandma.... We, as your grandchildren, come together to honor you, Grandma, like no other person that has held this special title. This is your day and we want to let you know what a very special Grandma you have been and still are to us. You have touched each and everyone of our lives in a very unique and individualized way.... You have left us with a true sense of what family is no matter how often we see one another or how each one of us chooses to express our family ties to one another. You have shown us that we can be ourselves and still have a very private, meaningful and even deep love, with the right to the family that we call our own.

But, most important of all, through your diligent research and study into our ancestral files, you have shown us that family does last forever. The eternal gift of ancestry you have given us will show us that we have many women in our family tree that have possessed the title of Grandma for us, but none will ever have the same meaning and ties as yours does to us, Grandma. There are great-grandchildren and even great-great-grandchildren that you have left here with us....

But Grandma none of those grandchildren will ever spend their whole childhood and the beginning of their adult lives with you like this circle of grandchildren have. You have been with us through each one of our births, childhood, beginning adulthood and becoming parents ourselves. You have watched your first grandchild become a parent herself. As the rest of us become grandparents without you physically here, we are comforted and blessed with your spiritual guidance and the wonderful example you have set for us of how to hold this title with such ease, naturalness and unconditional love.

Because of you Grandma, we are all given the gift of ancestry and the opportunity of keeping our family alive forever through knowledge of family history. The genealogy of our family tree we will cherish and appreciate because you have left these very personal and special records for each of us to read, study and absorb into our hearts, minds and souls....

So we stand here in this circle that represents, like any circle, there is no end—we want you to know, that for now, you will live in our memories and ... we are looking forward to the most joyous reunion with you when you can personally introduce us to all those wonderful characters in your genealogy records that will one day be just as real as you have been to us.

Susie, Ronnie, Eddie, Jennie, Debbie, Billie, Terry, Kate, Gus, Russ, Doug, and Kenny

ALFORD ANCESTORS

 Rosetta Ethyle Davison born Oct 27 1910, Plad, Dallas County, MO, married Oct 9 1927, in Perry, Nobel County, OK¹, Clarence Clifford Jones, born Aug 15 1909, Vincennes, Knox County, IN, died Sep 18 1972, Longton, Elk County, KS, buried: Gracelawn Cemetery, Howard, Elk County, KS.

Parents

- William Arthur Davison born Oct 24 1885, Plad, Dallas County, MO, married Sep 17 1907, in Plad, Nettie Jane Varner. William died Aug 5 1917, Carthage, Jasper County, MO.
- 3. Nettie Jane Varner born Feb 15
 1889, Plad, Dallas County, MO,
 married (1) Sep 17 1907, in Plad,
 William Arthur Davison, born Oct
 24 1885, Plad, died Aug 5 1917,
 Carthage, Jasper County, MO,
 married (2) Apr 25 1919, James
 William Mead, born Mar 18 1886,
 occupation Boeing Aircraft Factory,
 died Dec 4 1960, Lyons, Rice
 County, Kansas. Nettie died Jan 5
 1978, Lyons, Rice County, KS.

Grandparents

6. Samuel Alexander Varner born
Feb 13 1856, TN, occupation
Farmer, married (1) Oct 16 1879, in
Laclede County, MO, Martha
Lucinda Alford, born Dec 8 1861,
Plad, Dallas County, MO, died
Sep 25 1893, Plad², buried:
Mahaffey Cemetery, Dallas
County, MO, married (2) about
1895, in Dallas Co., Emma
Isadora Haney, born 1866, IA,
died Sep 1925, KS. Samuel died
Mar 6 1946, Sand Springs, Tulsa
County, OK, buried: Post Oak
(private) near Sand Springs.

According to *THE DALLAS COUNTY STORY*, Samuel Varner was raised by R.L. Alford after his parents' deaths. He married Martha Lucinda, daughter of R.L.

Great-Grandparents

14. **Robert Lee Alford** born Dec ___ 1841, TN, married (1) Dec 30 1860, in Plad, Dallas County, MO, **Mary Jane Looney**, born Jul 8

1840, died Aug 25 1893, Plad³, married (2) May 19 1894, **Rosa E. Haney**, born Nov __ 1877, IA. Robert died Jun __ 1916, Plad, buried: New Hope Cemetery, Dallas County, MO.

Great-Grandparents

28. John M. Alford born Feb 9 1821, Knox County, TN, married (1) Mar 4 1840, in Meigs County, TN⁴, Lucinda Cardell, died 1845, TN, married (2) Apr 13 1847, in Meigs County, TN, Hannah Holloman, born Aug 27 1827, Meigs County, TN, died Apr 15 1900, Dallas County, MO, buried: New Hope Cemetery, Dallas County, MO. John died Dec 8 1898, Dallas County, MO, buried: New Hope Cemetery, Dallas County, MO. They moved from TN to MO about 1854.

3rd Great-Grandparents

56. John Alford born about 1786, NC or maybe TN, married Jan 13 1811, in Grainger County, TN, Jane McElhattan, born about 1791, NC, died after 1860, Carroll County, AR. John died 1860/70, Carroll County, AR. November 1804 he was age 18, an orphan. He was bound to Thomas Mann to learn art, trade and master of a millwright. About 1852 he moved to AR where "he lived with Thomas H. Alford (their son?) in Arkansas Crooked Creek Co. Carroll now Boone Co...Harrison, Arkansas the county seat".

FOOTNOTES

- 1. Also shows September 10.
- 2. DALLAS COUNTY MISSOURI
 CEMETERIES, Vol. 1 has her death
 date (from tombstone reading) as
 Oct 1893. It also mentions three
 small Varner children. These may
 be infants or very young children
 who died and are buried with on

dates, 8

- 3. Ethyle shows Sep 25 1890 as the date of death
- 4. Ben's form says married in Roane County.

VIRGINIA CARMICHAEL ALFORD JOHNSTON 1912–1999 AAFA #811

COURIER-JOURNAL Louisville, KY—Fri., 29 January 1999

Virginia A. Johnston, 86, died Thursday at Norton Hospital. She was the former Virginia Alford, a native of Chicago and a member of the Woodcock Society and St. Andrew's Episcopal Church. Survivors: a daughter, Brooke J. Morton; a son, Randolph P. Johnston; and three grandchildren. Funeral: 9:30 a.m. Saturday, her church, 2233 Woodbourne Ave. Private burial: Cave Hill. Arrangements: Pearson's Memorial....

AAFA NOTES: Virginia Carmichael Alford was born 18 May 18 1912 in Chicago, Cook County, IL, the daughter of Oliver Perry Alford II and Laura Tucker Carmichael. In the 1920 census, this family was living at 5436 Corell Avenue in Chicago, IL. Her father was born in New Orleans, LA, and her mother in Loudon Co. VA. This family is a member of what we call the Blue Grass Branch of Kentucky Alfords, descendants of Charles Alford—believed to be the first Alford in what later became Kentucky.

Virginia was married to George B. Johnston in about 1931 and had four children, two of whom predeceased her: George B. Johnston Jr. in 1997 and Oliver Perry Johnston who died in a car accident while in college. Her brother, Oliver Perry Alford, III, died in Dec. 1995, and was AAFA member #754. His active membership was

transferred to Virginia at that time. Oliver, Virginia, and her son attended our meeting in Alabama in 1995.

We published two In Remembrance articles for Oliver Perry: Winter 1996, pp. 18–19, and Spring 1996, pp. 11–12.

Some of AAFA's most active participants are spouses of the "Alford" descendant. Sandy Snowball was one of these active non-Alford spouses. We'd like to remember her here as a very special AAFA member.

SANDRA JEAN LAMESFIELD BROWN SNOWBALL 1942–1998 AAFA #895

Sandy died following surgery for a brain tumor. Even throughout the treatment she managed to do work for AAFA and was part of the team doing input for the Master Book List. She received a Distinguished Members citation at the Kentucky meeting. On 3 June 1998, Sandy wrote to Gil to discuss some genealogical work she had been planning to do. Her email is filled with her special spirit:

Lots been happening at this end; I've lost half of my eyesight and so can't drive anymore. Tom and I live way out in the country just to add to the fun. It's just possible that I will never be able to drive again. I've had a brain tumor removed, then lots of radiation—I am no longer 1/2 baked, but as of yesterday I am 100% cooked.:)) and in a month chemo is to start. As you can tell it's been real boring all the way around. I do know one thing; I am tired of seeing doctors and medical professionals of all sorts, but it seems they aren't done seeing me and won't be for some time to come. But I shouldn't complain; I've been seeing

Neuro thises and thats since I was 12 and I am now in the hands of the best group of Drs I've ever run across—bar none. They are totally patient oriented and very caring and on top of it all they are world class Doctors who aren't full of themselves (you know the sort—I'm a doctor; kiss my feet.). Confidence is half the battle and they're doing a lot of the fighting for and with me which certainly helps. That and my Tommy is a wall that I can lean on when needed....

We had been planning on coming to Kentucky and all of my medical stuff has sort of knocked everything out of kilter and it doesn't look like we'll be getting there after all. And we were really looking forward to it....

Oh, and I have quite a bit more informa-

tion about Martha. Just after the blindness started I rcvd Henry Snowball's entire military records. They included several affidavits re Martha and her first two husbands, who they were, how they died, when, etc. in with her Widow Claim or whatever it's called.

I could read some of it and now that the surgery is over I might be able to make a little better headway on it. But I'll have to send those the same way and it will take time for me to decipher some of what is there because half of my eyesight just comes and goes with no real consistancy.

Oh, one last thing, Martin Alford (I sent you an affidavit that he had signed re Henry Snowball's claim for pension/disablility) was a brother of Martha. I saw it somewhere in the 229 pages of records that came re Henry. Now if I can just relocate it. That one may take more time, because reading has become so difficult and time consuming for me.

Regards, Sandy in cold, stormy MI



Sandy Lamesfield Snowball

Sandy's obituary, photos, and niece's remembrance in this article are posted on her family's Web site, a memorial to Sandy:

http://www.tir.com/~sandy/sandy.htm (7 Feb 1999)

No source

SNOWBALL, Sandra Lamesfield (Brown)—Of Goodrich, age 56, passed away with her family at her bedside Sunday, October 11, 1998 in Sparrow Hospital, Lansing. Funeral services will be 11 PM Friday October 16, 1998, at Hill Funeral Home, 11723 S. Saginaw St., Grand Blanc, MI, ... with interment at Evergreen Cemetery....

Sandy was born in Flint on February 4, 1942, a daughter of Frank and Vivian (Woods) Lamesfield and lived in Genesee County for the past 16 years. She married Thomas Snowball on December 23, 1989 at the Crossroads Village Church. She was a 1960 graduate of Grand Blanc High School. Sandra attended Eastern Michigan University, Western Michigan University and U of M. She was a member of the Flint Genealogy Club. Sandra was a volunteer in the Ann Arbor and Flint area for Braille and sign language. Mrs. Snowball had been employed as a secretary at the English Meadows Mobile Home Community in Jackson.

Surviving are: her husband Thomas, 2 children Kimberly and husband Scott Weinholt of OH and Kevin and wife Cherise Brown of GA; 2 stepchildren, William Snowball and Tonya Snowball both of FL; 4 grand-children; father, Frank Lamesfield and Trudi of Boyne City, MI; brother, Chris and Sharon Lamesfield of Lapeer; 2 nieces; former husband Gary Brown of Ann Arbor.

She was preceded in death by her mother, Vivian (Woods) Lamesfield, grandparents, John George Woods/ Charles I. Bates and "Peggy" Vena Mildred (Burnam) Woods, Frank Nicholas and Elizabeth Ann (Crook) Lamesfelder/Lamesfield.

The following was written by Sandy's 16 year old niece, Nicki Lamesfield, daughter of Sandy's brother Chris:

Born into this world as Sandra Jean Lamesfield, leaving as Sandra Lamesfield Snowball. To me she was just Aunt Sandy. And I was her Munchkin.

Aunt Sandy was my first babysitter and last. She always looked out for me and did what was in my best interest. She was the only one throughout my life never to let me down on anything. She was always there for me whenever I asked. She was at all of my concerts and performances. She instilled a confidence in me like no one else. When she said I could do something, I genuinely believed it. She never lied to me, which is probably why I had such confidence. No matter how sick or busy she was, she was always there for me one hundred and fifty percent and made sure that I knew it. We were not only Aunt and niece, but we were also friends. I could tell her anything and everything, which I did, and know that it was between us and the four walls surrounding us.

She and I looked at ourselves the same way. "We are the normal ones," she'd say, "everyone else is just trying to be like us." She was the one person in the family that I could even begin to compare myself to. She was the only person in my entire life to give me a straight answer when I asked a question. Sure, she told me every detail in-between, but I eventually got the answer. She was a great story teller. I loved to listen to her. I would just listen to her for hours in silence (a great feat for me).

And it wasn't just because she wouldn't give me a chance to talk, simply because I idolized this woman. Those of you who knew her, know that she could go on and on for hours. And you never dared to ask another question or she may lose all other train of thought.

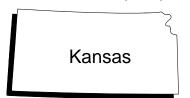
This woman was the most important person in my life. And it took her dying for me to realize it. I regret not spending more time with her, but cherish the time that I did spend with her. She may not have been anyone else's hero, but she was my hero. The fact that she would continue smiling knowing that she only had months to live really shows courage and strength, the strength that I hope to have eventually. She continued to have fun. She still had the same vivacity for life as she always did. It was just a little bit slower and some time in slow motion, but she still wanted to live.

We must continue to live on as she would...full of fun. That is a true hero in my eyes. So I close this by sharing advice that was between the two of us. Wherever in life you may go, always remember three things: always have a map, live for the fun times in life, and always pack lots of banana chips. I love you, Aunt Sandy. ❖



Obituaries

If no AAFA NOTES are attached to an obituary, AAFA has no other information on the family. Do you?



ERMA VIRGINIA ALVORD MORRIS

TOPEKA CAPITAL-JOURNAL Topeka, KS—11 April 1998

YATES CENTER [KS]—Erma Virginia Morris, 82, Yates Center, died Friday, Apr 10, 1998, in Yates Center. Mrs Morris was a needlepoint artist and had needlepointed two chairs that are in Cedar Crest [state governor's mansion] in Topeka.

She was born July 7, 1915, at Neodesha [KS], the daughter of Herbert Alvord and Erma Steiner. Mrs Morris was a member of First United Methodist Church at Yates Center, twentieth Century Study Club, Justamere Unit, Lydia Fidelers Circle, all in Yates Center, and the Needlework Guild in Topeka.

She married Leland S. Morris on Oct 26, 1933, at Yates Center. He died Mar 4, 1985. A son, Brad Morris, also preceded her in death. Survivors include a son, Stanley Morris, Yates Center; a daughter, Charlen Johnson, Merriam [KS]; and a sister, Genevieve Adams, Houston TX.

Services will be at 10:30am Monday at the First United Methodist Church at Yates Center. Burial will be in the Yates Center Cemetery. Mrs Morris will lie in state until 8pm Sunday at Campbell Funeral Home in Yates Center....

AAFA NOTES: We have very little on

the ancestry of Erma Virginia Alvord Morris. Although there are eight Herbert Alvords in the 1908 Alvord book, none fit Erma's father from a time and place perspective. The family, Herbert, Erma, Virginia and 1 year old Genevie were enumerated in the 1920 Census, Wilson County, KS. The census shows Herbert born 1890 in Kansas. There is a Herbert I. Alvord born April 1884 listed in the Woodson Co. KS 1900 census, son of Abner and Theresa Alvord. The Social Security death data shows a Herbert Alvord born Apr 26, 1889 in KS, died December 1970 in Oregon. These two records probably pertain to Erma's father; even though the copied birthdate was April 1884, the computer-generated birthdate based on age was 1889 which was identical to the birthdate of the Herbert who was her father in the census and the one who died in Oregon in 1970. Abner Alvord listed on the 1900 census was born 1849 in Iowa and may be a descendant of the family of Elihu Alvord who was in Iowa by 1837. He had two sons (one died) named Abner and these are the only Abners in the ALVORD Book.

EVERETT C. "BIG AL" ALFORD

Sent by Wanda Rogers, AAFA #285

THE KANSAS CITY STAR
Kansas City, MO—24 April 1996

Everett C. "Big Al" Alford, Jr., 48, Kansas City, KS, died April 23, 1996, at the Bethany Medical Center. Graveside services will be 11 a.m. Friday, April 26, in Maple Hill Cemetery. Friends may call 7–9 p.m. Thursday, April 25, at Maple Hill Funeral Home.

Everett was a lifelong Kansas City, KS, resident. He worked in car

sales and management for 25 years, and was formerly associated with Keith Roberts Auto Sales. He was a 1965 graduate of Turner High School and a Presbyterian. Survivors include a son, Michael J. Alford, Dallas, TX; his mother, Velma McCullough, and brother, John E. Alford, both of Kansas City, KS.

JUNE V. SMITH HOLFORD

TOPEKA CAPITAL-JOURNAL Topeka, KS—Tues., 10 Feb 1998

June V. Holford, 59, Topeka, died Saturday, Feb. 7, at a Topeka hospital. Cause of death was unavailable. She was born June 28, 1938, in England, the daughter of Authur and Dorothy Kaptein Smith. While she lived in Pennsylvania, she was a prison guard and a paramedic. After she moved to Topeka, she attended Washburn University and became a registered nurse. She worked at a Topeka nursing home 11 years. She was a supervisor for Prison Health Services and was an assistant director of nurses at Courtyard Terrace in Topeka.

Survivors include a son, Michael T. Holford, Topeka, and a granddaughter. Services will be at 3pm Thursday at Penwell-Gabel Mid-Town Funeral Home. Burial will be in Topeka Cemetery....

MARCELINE M. DINWIDDIE HOLFORD

HUTCHINSON NEWS
Hutchinson, KS—16 October 1998

Marceline M. Holford, 81, died Oct. 14, 1998, at Hutchinson Hospital. She was born May 15, 1917, at Hutchinson, the daughter of John Carroll and Margaret Mae Ragland Dinwiddie. A lifetime resident of Hutchinson, she was a 1935 graduate of Hutchinson High School and a 1938 graduate of Hutchinson Community College. She was a field manager for Kansas Welcome Wagon and a hostess for the Hutchinson Welcome Wagon.

She was a member of Trinity
United Methodist Church and Trinity
United Methodist Women and a
supporter of the Kansas Cosmosphere
and Space Center, Hutchinson Community College and Hutchinson
Hospital Foundation. She was an
original board member of Hutchinson
High School Alumni Association, a
member of Friends of the Hutchinson
Public Library and an original member
of the Hutchinson Messiah Chorus.

On July 3, 1942, she married Floyd Palmer Holford in Lincoln, Neb. He survives.

Other survivors include: a son, Stephen Holford, Boston; a daughter, Sally McPhail, Salina; a sister, Jean Bogart, Seattle; three grandchildren; two step-grandchildren; three nieces; and a nephew.

Private family graveside service will be in Fairlawn Burial Park, Hutchinson.....

MARIONETTE CLARK ALFORD

Sent by Wanda Rogers, AAFA #285

KANSAS CITY STAR Kansas City, MO—2 June 1995

Marionette C. Alford, 76, Overland Park, KS, died May 30, 1995, at her home. Funeral services will be 10 a.m. Saturday, June 3, at St. Mark's on the Santa Fe Trail United Methodist Church; buried in Resurrection Cemetery, Lenexa. Friends may call 6-8 p.m. Friday at the McGilley and Hoge Chapel....

Mrs. Alford was born June 21,

1918 in Drumright, OK. She graduated from Drumright High School and attended Oklahoma State University. She was married to Eugene Alford October 5, 1946, in Tulsa, OK, and he preceded her in death in 1994. Survivors include a son, Tom Alford, Tustin, CA, a brother Bill Clark, Broken Arrow, OK; three grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

MARTHA HALFORD NOFAL MILLER

THE KANSAS CITY STAR
Kansas City, MO—27 July 1996

Martha Halford Miller, 44, Overland Park, KS, passed away Friday, July 26, 1996, at St. Luke's Hospital. Funeral services will be 3 p.m. Saturday, July 27, at Mount Moriah and Freeman Chapel, Kansas City, MO, and 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, July 30, in Wildwood Chapel at Restland Memorial Park, Dallas, TX....

Mrs. Miller was born November 3, 1951, in Tulsa, OK. She graduated from Highland Park High School in Dallas, TX, where she set numerous records for girls' athletic events. She attended both the University of Texas-Houston and Avila College, Kansas City. Martha was a founder of several children's athletic teams in the Kansas City area. The energy and resourcefulness she brought to those and other activities won her a wide circle of devoted friends, who will miss her deeply.

She is survived by her daughter, Zeinab Elaine Nofal (21), son, Justin Andrew Nofal (18), son, Morgan McCoy Miller (7), all of Overland Park; mother and stepfather, Patricia B. Halford and Dennis Gordon King, Dallas, TX; father and stepmother, Mr. and Mrs. William Halford, Hot Springs, AR; brothers, Bruce Halford, Dallas, TX, and James Halford, Ruston, LA; and sister, Ivy Elaine Halford, Santa Monica, CA.



AILEEN BOYD ALFORD

Sent by Bud Ellzey, AAFA #728

THE TYLERTOWN TIMES
Tylertown, MS—9 April 1998

Aileen Alford, March 5, 1927– March 31, 1998. Funeral services for Aileen Alford, 71, of Natchez, were April 2, 1998, at Natchez. She died March 31, 1998, at Natchez. Mrs. Alford was a Walthall County native, born March 5, 1927, daughter of the late Percy and Ida Thornhill Boyd.

CARNETTIE ALFRED HARTLEY

THE COMMERCIAL APPEAL
Memphis, TN—Mon., 23 Feb 1998

COMO [MS]—Carnettie A. Hartley, 78, supervisor for William Carter Co. in Senatobia [MS], died of cancer Saturday at Baptist Memorial Hospital East in Memphis. Services will be at 3:30 p.m. Tuesday at Harmontown Baptist Church, where she was a Sunday school teacher, with burial in the church cemetery near Como. Moore Funeral Home in Sardis [MS] has charge. Mrs. Hartley, the widow of Windel Hartley, leaves two brothers, Charles Alfred of Grenada [MS] and Elvin T. Alfred of Batesville.

ETHEL MAE MASSEY ALFORD

Send by Ruby Heard, AAFA #137

THE CLARION-LEDGER
Jackson, MS—Sunday, 27 July 1997

PEARL—Ethel Mae Massey Alford, 86, a retired dietitian, died of cancer Friday at River Oaks Hospital in Flowood.

Services are 11:30 a.m. Monday at Baldwin-Lee Funeral Home in Pearl with graveside services at 3 p.m. in Sandtown Methodist Church Cemetery in Philadelphia. Visitation is 3–9 p.m. today at the funeral home.

Mrs. Alford was a Neshoba County native. She was a member of Skyway Hills Baptist Church. She was a dietitian for 10 years at Mississippi State Hospital, retiring in 1975.

Survivors include; sons, Perry Alford of Lexington, Frank Alford of Houston, Texas, Ben Alford of Jackson and Herald Alford of Pearl; daughter, Rachel Thornton of Florence; sister, Luva Tolbert of Meridian; and 14 grandchildren, 25 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

AAFA NOTES (from Ruby Heard, who reports that the information came from Donald Bender of Meridian): Ethel Massey married Rube Alford of Neshoba Co., MS, date unknown. Rube was the son of Benjamin Alford, born 1855, and his second wife, Rebecca Catherine Copeland. Rube's first wife was Sweet Cumberland. Ethel's parents are also buried in the Sandtown Cemetery.

HARRELL OVEAD "H.O." ALFORD

Sent by Sally Stoewer, AAFA #120

THE ADVOCATE
Baton Rouge, LA—30 Aug 1996

Alford, Harrell Ovead "H.O."—A retired minister of United Pentecostal Church, International, he died Wednesday, Aug. 28, 1996, at 2:15 p.m. at Mississippi Baptist Medical Center, Jackson, Miss. He was a U.S. Army medical technician and veteran of World War II. Visiting at Baldwin-Lee Funeral Home, Pearl, Miss., 1 p.m. to 9 p.m. Friday. Visiting at the funeral home 8:30 a.m. until the Homecoming Service at First Pentecostal Church, 3425 Robinson St., Jackson, Miss., Services at the church at 10 a.m. Saturday.... Graveside services at Floral Hills Memorial Cemetery, Pearl.

Survived by wife, Annie L. Alford, Pelahatchie, Miss.; five sons, Ovead Alford, Jr., Sumter, S.C., the Rev. Sidney Alford, Cleveland, Ohio, Fred Alford, Jackson, Miss., Garry Paul Alford, Murfreesboro, Tenn., and David Alford, Galvez; six daughters, Gwendolyn A. Nickens, Galvez, Marita Phillips, Thaxton, Miss., Deborah Jones, Pelahatchie, Miss., Rhoda Spence, Galvez, Angela May, El Dorado, Kan,. and Joyce Laverne Neal, Morton, Miss.; his children's spouses, A.J. Nickens, Arthur Phillips, Charlotte Alford, Donna Alford, Liz Alford, Cynthia Alford, Seth Jones, Alan Spence, Randy May, Denise Alford and David Neal; 28 grandchildren, and 15 great-grandchildren; a brother, Hosea Alvie Alford, Troy, Ill.

Preceded in death by parents, Fred and Viola Alford, Ferriday; three brothers L.V. Alford, Ferriday, Earl and Carl Dyer; two sisters, Agnes Grangier and Bertis Deshotels, Oakdale; and a granddaughter, Adina Gayle Alford.

He was a pastor emeritus and member of First Apostolic Church of Pelahatchie which he founded and pastored some years ago. He was a minister of the Gospel for 57 years, pastoring four churches, Galvez Pentecostal Church, Galvez, Polkville Pentecostal Church, Polkville, Thaxton [sic], First Apostolic Church, Pelahatchie, and Thaxton Pentecostal Church, Thaxton, Miss. He was founder of First Apostolic Church of

Pelahatchie and Thaxton Pentecostal Church.

In another article sent by Ralph Alford, AAFA #746:

THE CLARION-LEDGER
Jackson, MS—Fri., 30 Aug 1996

PELAHATCHIE—The Rev. Harrell O. Alford, 75, a retired minister, died Wednesday at Mississippi Baptist Medical Center in Jackson from complications of a stroke....

The Rev. Alford was a Louisiana native and a member of First Apostolic Church, where he formerly served as minister and pastor emeritus. In his 57 years of ministry, he ministered four churches: Galvez Pentecostal Church in Galvez, La.; Polkville Pentecostal Church in Polkville; First Apostolic Church in Pelahatchie; and Thaxton Pentecostal Church, from which he retired. He moved to Pelahatchie in 1962 from Polkville. He returned to Pelahatchie in 1992. He founded First Apostolic Church in Pelahatchie and Thaxton Pentecostal Church. He was a World War II Army veteran, serving as a medical technician.

Survivors include: wife, Annie; daughters, Marita Phillips of Thaxton, Deborah Jones of Pelahatchie, Joyce Laverne Neal of Morton, Gwendolyn Nickens and Rhoda Annette Spence, both of Galvez, La., and Angela May of Eldorado, Kan.; sons, Fred Alford of Jackson, Ovead Alford Jr. of Sumter, S.C., Sidney Alford of Cleveland, Ohio, Garry Paul Alford of Murfreesboro, Tenn., and David Alford of Galvez; brother, Hosea Alvis Alford of Troy, Ill.; and 27 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

AAFA NOTE: Harrell Ovead Alford's wife is probably Annie Whatley Alford—see the following obituary of her sister:

THE MORNING ADVOCATE
Baton Rouge, LA—5 December 1990

Tarver, Aletha Whatley-Died

Sunday, Dec. 2, 1990, at Our Lady of the Lake Regional Medical Center. She was 76, a native of Jena and a resident of Prairieville. Visiting at Ourso Funeral Home, Gonzales.... Religious services at Galvez Pentecostal Church, 11 a.m. Thursday, conducted by the Rev. Randy Abraham and the Rev. H.O. Alford. Burial in the church cemetery.

Survived by husband, Willie W. "Bill" Tarver, Prairieville; a daughter and son-in-law, Patricia "Hooley" Tarver and Jerry Norwood, Beech Island, S.C.; a son and daughter-inlaw, Royce L. and Linda Bourque Tarver, Prairieville; three sisters, Pearl Gainey, Ball, Annie Alford, Thaxton, Miss., and Bernice Whatley, Jena; three grandchildren, Rodney Norwood, Talicia and Amanda Tarver. Preceded in death by parents, Isaac Elihue and Angie Elizabeth Caldwell Whatley Sr.; a brother, Isaac Whatley Jr. Pallbearers will be Darryl Bourque, Pete Gibson, John Hebert, Bobby Lofton, Dale Nickens and Al Wright. She was a member of Galvez Pentecostal Church.

JAMES LOUIS "LIT" ALFORD

Father of James L. Alford Jr., AAFA #245 and Kathey Swaney, AAFA #1011 Brother of Jake Alford, AAFA #16, John Warren Alford, AAFA #194, and the late Julius M. "Pooley" Alford, AAFA #13

THE CLARION-LEDGER
Jackson, MS—Mon., 10 March 1997

McCOMB—James Louis "Lit" Alford, 78, a lawyer, died of heart failure Friday [March 7] in Southwest Mississippi Regional Medical Center. Services are 2 p.m. today at

Services are 2 p.m. today at Centenary United Methodist Church with burial in Hollywood Cemetery.... Hartman Funeral Home is handling arrangements.

Mr. Alford was a Pike County native. He was a graduate of the University of Mississippi School of Law, where he was a member of the Mississippi Law Journal. He practiced law for more than 50 years.

He was active in the development of the oil and gas industry as an independent operator for more than four decades. He served with distinction in World War II, first in the infantry in New Guinea and later as a fighter pilot at Iwo Jima. He served many years as the city attorney for McComb and board attorney for the McComb Housing Authority.

Mr. Alford was past president of the McComb Rotary Club, honorary colonel on the staff of four governors, former member of the McComb School Board and served as chairman of the State Educational Finance Commission. He was an active member and church leader of Centenary United Methodist Church and served as a teacher of the Men's Bible class. He served as president and chairman of First Federal Savings and Loan of McComb and a board member of Magnolia Federal Bank. He was a former member of the board of directors of First National Bank of McComb, now part of Trustmark National Bank. He was king of the McComb Junior Auxiliary Azalea Ball and was recipient of the Oliver Emmerich Award. He served on boards of the McComb Chamber of Commerce and Metro-Pike Industrial Foundation.

Survivors include: wife, Anna; son, James L. Alford Jr. of McComb [AAFA #245]; daughters, Emily Carlisle of McComb, Kathy Swaney of Palm Beach Gardens, Fla., and Elise Lambuth of Jackson; brothers, J.E. Alford of New Orleans and Warren Alford of Pass Christian; and 10 grandchildren.

AAFA NOTES: We published an In Remembrance article for James' brother Julius in the Winter 1996 issue of *AAFA ACTION*, p. 18, but we did not include a list of his ancestors, who are, of course, also the ancestors of James.

ANCESTORS

James Louis Alford born Nov 30
1918, Pike County, MS, occupation Attorney, married Jun 7 1941,
Anna Katherine Rutledge, born
Oct 25 1917, McComb, Pike
County, MS. She is the daughter
of daughter of William Ormsby
Rutledge and Grace Emma
Kornrumpf. James died March 7
1997 in Jackson, MS, buried:
Hollywood Cemetery, McComb,
Pike Co., MS

Parents

2. Jacob Elias Alford born Jan 28
1880, Copiah County, MS,
married (1) Jun 7 1905, in Pike
County, MS, Ella Rebecca Quin,
born Jan 24 1883, Pike County,
MS, died Jun 5 1906, Pike County,
MS; married (2) Dec 20 1910, in
New Orleans, Orleans Parish, LA,
Josephine Bertha Egloff, born
May 2 1889, New Orleans,
Orleans Parish, LA, died Sep 2
1979, Pike County, MS. Jacob
died Feb 22 1972, Pike County,
MS, buried: Hollywood Cemetery,
McComb, Pike Co., MS.

Alford Grandparents

4. James Thomas Alford born Apr 25 1840, Copiah County, MS, occupation Medical Doctor, married (1) Jun 23 1864, in Copiah County, MS, Martha Eliza Traweek (sometimes spelled Trawick), born Jan 20 1843, Copiah County, MS, died Mar 30 1869, Copiah County, MS, buried: Catchings Cem., Copiah County, MS, married (2) Sep 29 1870, in Copiah County, MS, Julia Catchings Steele, born Jan 6 1850, Copiah County, MS, died

Apr 12 1916, Pike County, MS, buried: Alford Cemetery, Copiah County, MS. James died Jul 16 1894, Copiah County, MS, buried: Alford Cemetery, Copiah County, MS.

Alford Great-Grandparents

- 8. Julius Caesar Alford born Dec 15 1808, Alfordsville, Robeson County, NC, married May __ 1834, in Copiah County, MS, Mary Jane "Jency" Cammack. Julius died Oct 15 1899, Gallman, Copiah County, MS, buried: Alford Cemetery, Copiah County, MS.
- Mary Jane "Jency" Cammack born Jan 22 1815, Sumner County, Tennessee, died Oct 7 1896, Gallman, Copiah County, MS, buried: Alford Cemetery, Copiah County, MS. Her parents, Thomas Cammack and Isabella Neally immigrated from Ireland.

Alford Great-Grandparents

- James Alford born 1764, Robeson County, NC, married about 1808, Alice Katrain McTyer. James died 1839, Copiah County, MS.
- 17. **Alice Katrain McTyer** born about 1769, Robeson County, NC, died Copiah County, MS.

Alford 3rd Great-Grandparents

- 32. **Jacob Alford** (Lodwick³, James², John¹) born Dec 12 1738, New Kent County, Virginia, baptized: Feb 18 1738, New Kent County, Virginia, married about 1758, in NC, **Mary Pace**. Jacob died Jul ___ 1826, Robeson County, NC, buried: Fulmore Cemetery, Robeson County, NC. His will was dated July 4, 1794.
- 33. **Mary Pace** born Feb __ 1740,

died after 1810, Robeson County, NC, buried: Fulmore Cemetery, Robeson County, NC. She was the daughter of **George Pace** and **Obedience Worekan.**

DESCENDANTS

 Emily Rutledge Alford born Jan 9 1943, McComb, Pike County, MS, married Jun 13 1964, in McComb, Pike County, MS, Emmett "Duke" Augustus Carlisle, III.

Children:

- Katherine Elise Carlisle born May 5 1968.
- ii. **Eloise Ruth Carlisle** born May 15
- 2. James Louis Alford, Jr. (born Oct 19 1946, McComb, Pike County, MS, occupation Banker, married Mar 15 1969, in Atlanta, Fulton County, Georgia, Elizabeth Simpson Wilson, born Aug 25 1946, Atlanta, DeKalb County, Georgia, (daughter of James Bell Wilson and Elizabeth Gallegher Simpson). James is a charter member of the Alford American Family Association, #245.

Children:

- Anna Elizabeth Alford born Jan 23 1973, Jackson, Hinds County, MS.
- James Louis Alford, III born Jun 23 1975, Jackson, Hinds County, MS.
- iii. Frances Katherine Alford born Nov 16 1977, Jackson, Hinds County, MS.
- 3. **Katherine Jane Alford** born Oct 17 1950, McComb, Pike County, MS, married Feb 12 1972, in McComb, Pike County, MS, **Scott Conway Swaney**.

Children:

- Emily Allison Swaney born Mar 9 1974.
- ii. **Adam Conway Swaney** born Oct 24 1981.
- 4.Elise Christine Alford born Jan 6 1952, McComb, Pike County, MS, married Jan 26 1974, in McComb, Pike County, MS, Bruce Woodall Lambuth, born Sep 10 1952.

Children:

- i. **Ann Elise Lambuth** born Feb 9 1982.
- ii. **James Bruce Lambuth** born Jun 15 1983.
- iii. **John Alford Lambuth** born Feb 7 1985.

JEWEL H. ALFORD

THE SUN HERALD Biloxi, MS—28 May 1997

POPLARVILLE—Jewel H. Alford, 80, died Monday, May 26, 1997, in Poplarville.

Mr. Alford was a member of First Baptist Church of Poplarville and Sherrard Byrd Masonic Lodge. He was a policeman for five years for the City of Poplarville and worked for the Pearl River County Sheriff's Department for 13 years.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Oree Moody Alford of Poplarville; two sons, Wayne Alford of Long Beach and Gordon Alford of Vancleave; a sister, Mrs. Marjorie Mixon of Slidell; three brothers, Spurgeon Alford of Hattiesburg, E.J. Alford of Monroe, La., and Hobert Alford of Petal; and five grandchildren.

A service will be at 2 p.m. today at White Funeral Home in Poplarville, with burial in Poplarville City Cemetery.

JOSHUA L. ALFORD

THE CLARION-LEDGER
Jackson, MS—Sun., 30 August 1998

PHILADELPHIA [MS]—Joshua L. Alford, 19, an employee of Central Supply Ready Mix, died Friday at Rush Foundation Hospital of injuries sustained in an automobile accident.

Services are 3 p.m. today at Sandtown United Methodist Church with burial in the church cemetery.

Mr. Alford was a Meridian native. Survivors include: parents, James Ladale and Gail P. Alford, both of Philadelphia; brothers, Jeremy Alford and Jason Alford, both of Philadelphia; and grandparents, Billy J. Pinter and Lavurne Alford, both of Philadelphia, and Betty Pinter of Waveland.

Sent by Ruby Heard, AAFA #137

THE CLARION-LEDGER
Jackson, MS—Wed., 10 June 1998

WALNUT GROVE—Liggie C. Alford, 87, a retired line worker, died of Alzheimer's disease at Carthage Health Care.

Services are 11 a.m. today at Standing Pine Cemetery. Wilcox Funeral Home is handling arrangements.

Survivors include: son, James A. "Whit" Alford of Carthage; daughter, Betty Jane Webb of Standing Pine; three granddaughters and four greatgrandchildren.

AAFA NOTES (written by Ruby Alford Heard, 10 June 1998):

Liggie Calvin Alford was born 12 Feb 1911 in Leake Co., MS, and died 8 June 1998 in Carthage, Leake Co.

He was the son of John McClurin Alford and Nora Peoples Alford of Leake Co. He married Bettie Mae Allen 20 Nov 1930 in Morgan, LA. She preceded him in death. They had three children: Nancy Marline Alford born 6 Nov 1932 and died 27 June 1934 in Standing Pine, MS; Betty Jane Alford born 19 Sept 1937, married Silas Eugene Webb 18 Feb 1955; and James Allen "Whit" Alford born 23 July 1940 and married Gloria June Price 7 June 1968.

Liggie's line of Alfords came to Leake Co. Miss. in the early 1900s and settled in the Freeny, Estes Mill and Carthage area. His grandfather was David Edward Alford born 26 July 1855 in Tallapoosa Co., AL, and grandmother was Martha Clayton Ellis Alford born 20 April 1857 in Tallapoosa Co. Liggie's three brothers and three sisters preceded him in death.

David E. Alford was the son of James Floyd Alford and Sarah J. Ellis Alford, both born in Greene Co., GA. James Floyd Alford born 1817 and Sarah J. Ellis Alford born 1820.

James Floyd Alford was the son of Zadock Alford born 1788 in Greene Co., GA, and Perrene Sherrill born 1795 in Greene Co.

Zadock Alford was the son of Julius C. Alford (Lodwick¹) born about 1746 in NC and Rebecca Jackson Alford born 1748 in NC.

Liggie Alford and I were cousins as my grandfather was a brother to his grandfather. The older ones of this line are just about all gone but there are plenty of younger ones left to carry on the Alford name in Mississippi!

LOUIE F. HALFORD

THE CLARION-LEDGER
Jackson, MS—Wed., 12 August 1998

GREENVILLE—Louie F. Halford, 79, a retired carpet installer, died of heart failure Tuesday at King's Daughter's

Hospital.

Services are 11 a.m. Thursday at Boone-Wells Funeral Home with burial in Greenlawn Memorial Gardens....

Mr. Halford was a Greenville native. He was the widower of Lois Inez Halford.

Survivors include: son, Larry Halford of Austin, Texas; and three brothers, two sisters and two grandchildren.



BETTY A. ALFORD STEWART

SPRINGFIELD UNION-NEWS
Springfield, MA—Thurs., 19 Nov 1998

MOUNT VERNON, N.Y.—Betty A. (Alford) Stewart, 53, of 463 South Seventh Ave., and formerly of 2 Gunn Square, Springfield, Mass., died Nov. 3 at home. She lived in Springfield for many years before relocating here. She leaves her husband, Milton Stewart of Springfield; a son, Kyle of Mount Vernon; a daughter, Jo Ann Alford of Mount Vernon; a stepson, Scott Stewart of Springfield; and four grandchildren. The private funeral was here, with the burial at Ferncliff Cemetery in Hartsdale. Harrell Funeral Home was in charge of Springfield arrangements.

GEORGE E. "TED" ALVORD

BUFFALO NEWS Buffalo, NY—9 Dec 1998

Alvord, George E. 'Ted'—Of Angola, NY, December 7, 1998,

husband of the late Marjorie M. Alvord; beloved father of Ronald (Beverly Milks), Virginia (Kenneth) Stresing, Marjorie K. (William) Henry and the late Patricia A. Creeley; also predeceased by one brother and one sister; survived by 15 grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren. Friends may call Wednesday and Thursday 2–4 and 7–9 PM at the Heimburg-Addison Funeral Home, 262 N. Main St., Angola, NY, where funeral services will be held Friday at 11 AM.

Mr. Alvord was a veteran of WW II and a member of Post No. 5798 VFW and Post No. 928 American Legion.

HENRY ALFORD

BUFFALO NEWS Buffalo, NY—24 March 1998

Alford - Henry, Sr.—Suddenly entered into rest on March 9, 1998. Devoted husband of Lessie B. (nee Steward); beloved father of S. Henry Oue: adopted father of Andrew: grandfather of Elizabeth Kristen, Andrew Jr., Dean, Dorothea (Nachil) Masaed, Tisheka and Tiffany; greatgrandfather of six; also survived by nieces, nephews and cousins; brotherin-law of Lucinda Steward Baity (Los Angeles). The wake shall be held 10 AM and funeral services at 11 AM Thursday at St.Luke AME Zion Church, 314 E. Ferry St. Interment Forest Lawn Cemetery. Arrangements by H. Alfred Lewis Mortuary, Inc.

NANNIE "NAN" B. HALLFORD AMEY

BUFFALO NEWS
Buffalo, NY—27 November 1996

Nannie B. "Nan" Amey, 79, of Main Street, a retired employee of the Newfane Health Facility, died Tuesday (Nov. 26, 1996) in Newfane Inter-Community Memorial Hospital.

A native of Andalusia, Ala., the

former Nannie Hallford had worked in the laundry at the nursing home for 17 years before she retired in 1990. She lived in the Wilson and Newfane area for 30 years and moved here from Niagara Falls. Her husband, Bruce R. Amey, died in 1966.

Surviving are two sons, Jeffrey and Terry; three daughters, Melody of Niagara Falls, and June Free and Carolyn Boroughs, both of Montgomery, Ala.; four brothers, Merl Hallford, Earl Hallford, J.W. Hallford and Norman Hallford, all of Alabama; a sister, Barbara Chambliss of Georgia; six grandchildren; and three greatgrandchildren. Services will be held at 10 a.m. Friday in the Rutland-Corwin Funeral Home, 2670 Main St. Burial will be in Niagara Falls Memorial Park, Lewiston.

RICHARD EDWARD ALVORD

TIMES UNION
Albany, NY—Fri., 23 Sept 1994

MIDDLE GROVE—Richard Edward Alvord, 53, of Hughes Road died Wednesday in Saratoga Hospital, Saratoga Springs.

He was born in Schenectady. Mr. Alvord worked for the General Electric Co. He served in the Air Force from 1959 to 1961. He was a member of Bethesda Episcopal Church. He enjoyed hunting, fishing and stock car races.

Survivors include four sons, Alan Alvord and Darrell Alvord, both of Middle Grove, Todd Alvord of Galway and Michael Alvord of Greenfield; his father, Dorian Alvord of Mezten, Texas; a brother, Gary Alvord of Rexford; and three grandchildren.

A service will be held at 9 a.m. Saturday in the William J. Burke and Sons Funeral Home, 628 N. Broadway, with burial in Middle Grove Cemetery....

AAFA NOTES: Richard's father's obituary was published in AAFA

ACTION Spring 1998, p. 39: Dorian E. Alvord died in NY in 1997. His uncle Charles S. Alvord's obituary was the one preceding his Dorian's in the same issue. His aunt's obituary is in this issue in the OK section: Rebecca Alvord Kinne.



JAMES FRANKLIN ALFORD

Sent by Rob Lewis, AAFA #789

FAYETTEVILLE OBSERVER-TIMES Fayetteville, NC—Thurs., 26 Nov 1998

BLADENBORO—James Franklin Alford, 53, of 11577 N.C. 211 died Monday [Nov 23] in his home.

The funeral will be conducted at 2 p.m. Saturday in Bryant Swamp Baptist Church.... Burial will be in Butters Cemetery.

Mr. Alford is survived by a sister, Lena M. Stokes of Lumberton; and four brothers, Avery Alford of Lumberton, Leon Alford and Leroy Alford, both of Bladenboro, and James R. Alford of Bronx, N.Y.

The family will receive friends Friday from 7 to 8 p.m. at Maultsby & Sons Funeral Home and at other times at the home of Leroy Alford, 9475 Center Road in Bladenboro.

AAFA NOTES: We need help with this family. No Alfords have been enumerated in Bladen County NC censuses since 1870, when one black family lived there. Being next door to Robeson County, where many descendants of Jacob Alford b. 1738VA lived, most Alfords that did appear in Bladen from time to time were probably from Robeson County. Over

half the Alfords in Robeson Co. by 1920 were black families.

LALA BATCHELOR ALFORD

Mother of James B. Alford, AAFA #344, Cloyce B. Alford, AAFA #279, and Floyd Shelby Alford, Sr., AAFA #271

Grandmother of Beverly Jean Alford, AAFA #345 and the late Floyd Shelby Alford, Jr., AAFA #722

Sent by Mary Intelini, AAFA #707

RALEIGH NEWS & OBSERVER Raleigh, NC—15 August 1997

PILOT—Lala Batchelor Alford of Pilot went to her eternal rest on August 14, 1997. Mrs. Alford was predeceased by her husband Zollie F. Alford and a grandson Floyd S. Alford Jr.

Funeral service will be held Saturday, August 16, 1997 at 11 a.m. at the Pilot Baptist Church located at the intersection of Hwy. 39 and Old Hwy. 64 in Pilot. Interment, Alford Family Cemetery, Pilot, N.C.

Surviving are daughter, Dorothy A. Batton of Bunn; sons, F. Shelby Alford and Cloyce B. Alford of Raleigh; James B. "Hoss" Alford and Johnny H. Alford of Pilot; fourteen grandchildren; 32 great-grandchildren; and five great-great-grandchildren. Special caretakers Mildred Johnson and Hallie Wheeless....

The family will receive friends 7–9 p.m. Friday, August 15, at Family Funeral Care, Zebulon, NC.

In an article published the previous year:

TELEGRAPH HERALD
Dubuque, IA—17 April 1996

PILOT, N.C. (AP)—Betty Pearce rode

her bathtub to safety when a tornado ripped through this small village, tearing her house down around her and flinging her into the woods....

Johnny Alford checked on his 95year-old mother, Lala Alford, who rode the storm out in a white-frame house. The house lost its front porch, but Lala Alford wasn't hurt.

"She's strong and has a direct line to God," Alford said.

AAFA NOTES: See also Fall 1993, p. 9, "Alfords in the News," for an article about Lala's son James B. Alford, AAFA #344. Lala's grandson Floyd Alford, AAFA #722, is remembered in this issue's "In Remembrance," which includes the ancestors of this family.

DESCENDANTS OF ZOLLIE AND LALA BATCHELOR ALFORD

Zollie Floyd Alford born Jan 27
1900, Franklin County, NC, (son
of James Berry Alford and Bettie
A. Williams) married Dec 23
1922, in NC, Lala R. Batchelor,
born Sep 25 1900, NC, died Aug
14 1997, Pilot, Franklin County,
NC, buried: Alford Cemetery,
Pilot, Franklin Co. NC. Zollie died
Mar 6 1977, NC.

Children:

- +2. i **Floyd Shelby Alford** born Aug 22 1923.
- +3. ii **James Barbee "Hoss" Alford** born Dec 21 1924.
- +4.iii **Dorothy Nell Alford** born Sep 17 1926.
- +5.iv Cloyce Batchelor Alford born May 22 1928.
- +6. v **Johnny Howard Alford** born Jun 14 1930.

Second Generation

 Floyd Shelby Alford born Aug 22 1923, Franklin County, NC, married Jun 1 1946, in NC, Rachel Juanita Pearce, born Apr 3 1923.

Children:

- 7. i **Beverly Jean Alford** born Oct 19 1948, Wake County, NC.
- +8. ii **Floyd Shelby Alford, Jr.** born Jan 9 1952.
- +9.iii **Annette Alford** born Dec 30 1959.
- 3. **James Barbee "Hoss" Alford** born Dec 21 1924, NC, married Jul 1 1950, in NC, Merle Lucille Bunn, born Apr 30 1927.

Children:

- +10. i **James Barbee Alford, Jr.** born Jan 29 1952.
- +11. ii **William Guston Alford** born Aug 2 1956.
- 4. **Dorothy Nell Alford** born Sep 17 1926, NC, married Apr 21 1946, in NC, David Gray Batton, born Nov 23 1923, died Jun 10 1985.

Children:

- +12. i **Betty Marie Batton** born Mar 22 1947.
- +13. ii **Lala Carol Batton** born Mar 31 1948.
- +14.iii **David Gray Batton, Jr.** born May 27 1949.
- +15.iv **Charles Floyd Batton** born Dec 23 1951.
- +16. v **Terry Lynn Batton** born Jan 22 1955.
- +17.vi **Jerry Wayne Batton** born Jan 22 1955.
- +18.vii **Darnell Alford Batton** born Sep 24 1956.
- Cloyce Batchelor Alford born May 22 1928, NC, married Apr 20 1957, in NC, Virginia Massey, born Jul 19 1929.

Children:

- +19. i **Mary Lynette Alford** born Dec 1 1959.
- +20. ii **Sandra Batchelor Alford** born Nov 12 1962, NC.

6. **Johnny Howard Alford** born Jun 14 1930, NC, married Aug 15 1954, in NC, Judith Valentine Stallings, born Feb 14 1931.

Children:

- +21. i **Chris Howard Alford** born Jan 10 1958, NC.
- +22. ii **Jan Stallings Alford** born Dec 14 1959.

Third Generation

8. **Floyd Shelby Alford, Jr.** (Floyd², Zollie¹) born Jan 9 1952, NC, occupation Newspaper Editor, married Mar 20 1976, Julia Webb, born Dec 13 1950. Floyd died Mar 10 1996, Concord, Carrabus Co., NC.

Children:

- 23. i **Zachary Webb Alford** born Jul 16 1981, NC.
- 24. ii **Meredith Bradsher Alford** born Mar 10 1984, NC.
- 25.iii **Benjamin Pearce Alford** born Aug 17 1987, NC.
- 9. **Annette Alford** (Floyd², Zollie¹) born Dec 30 1959, NC, married Sep 24 1983, Jack Hamilton Garvey, born Oct 3 1955.

Children:

- 26. i **Jack Hamilton Garvey, Jr.** born Oct 11 1987.
- 27. ii **Charlotte Rachel Garvey** born Nov 25 1989.
- James Barbee Alford, Jr.
 (James², Zollie¹) born Jan 29
 1952, NC, married Jul 22 1972,
 Phyllis Mitchell, born Dec 9 1952.

Children:

28. i Stephen Neal Alford born Feb 17 1970, NC, married Aug 26 1995, Paula Denise Gregory, born Jul 26 1973.

29. ii Barbie Lynn Alford born

Mar 19 1973; married Dec 17 1994, Daniel Cary Carter, born Jun 24 1968. They have two children: Elizabeth Lala Alford Carter born Jun 5 1988, and Caroline Virginia Carter born Dec 29 1995.

- 30.iii **Benjamin James Alford** born Dec 13 1976, NC.
- 11. **William Guston Alford** (James², Zollie¹) born Aug 2 1956, NC, married Aug 25 1984, Kimberly Howard, born Nov 4 1959.

Children:

- 31. i **Frances Nicole Alford** born Jan 27 1981, NC.
- 32. ii **Leigh Ann Alford** born Feb 20 1986, NC.
- 33.iii **Shannon Renee Alford** born Nov 12 1988, NC.
- 12. **Betty Marie Batton** (Dorothy², Zollie¹) born Mar 22 1948, married Jul 30 1965, George Myron Ray, born Feb 14 1943.

Children:

- 34. i **Robert Chad Ray** born Mar 19 1973, married Aug 13 1996, Jodie Harris, born May 20 1971.
- 13. **Lala Carol Batton** (Dorothy², Zollie¹) born Mar 31 1948, married Oct 14 1966, Carvel C. Cheves, born Aug 5 1947.

Children:

- 35. i Catherine Marice Cheves born Apr 10 1970, married May 15 1993, divorced 1995, Danny Hooley, born Jul 15 1963.
- 36. ii Cheryl Dawn Cheves born Aug 5 1971; married Jan 9 1993, Thad Edward Noe, born Nov 7 1966. They have one son: Theodore "Ted" Walker Noe born Sep 3 1994.

14. **David Gray Batton, Jr.** (Dorothy², Zollie¹) born May 27 1949, married May 25 1973, Durlas "Sandy" Hamilton, born Jun 11 1953.

Children:

- 37. i **Tina Batton** born Nov 19 1969; married Sep 18 1989, Gregory Allen Ward, born Mar 16 1966. They have one daughter: **Nicole Michelle West** born Oct 16 1991.
- 38. ii **David Gray "Trey" Batton, III** born Nov 4 1974.
- Charles Floyd Batton (Dorothy², Zollie¹) born Dec 23 1951, married Mar 10 1970, Cynthia Best, born Sep 25 1951.

Children:

- 39. i **Cynthia Joy Batton** born Mar 20 1971; married Nov 4 1995, David Devins, born Jun 25 1968. They have two children: **Craig James Devinsb** born Jul 22 1997, and **Shannon Renee Batton** born Oct 4 1993.
- Terry Lynn Batton (Dorothy², Zollie¹) born Jan 22 1955, married Oct 17 1975, Billy Harold Holt, born Mar 28 1951.

Children:

- 41. i **Jason Daniel Holt** born Jun 3 1978.
- 42. ii **Eric Michael Holt** born Aug 1 1980.
- 43.iii **Kristan Leigh Holt** born Apr 21 1983.
- 44.iv **Billy Ryan Holt** born Feb 27 1984.
- 17. **Jerry Wayne Batton** (Dorothy², Zollie¹) born Jan 22 1955, married Nov 22 1975, Gail Phillips, born May 4 1956.

Children:

- 45. i **Phillip Gray Batton** born Aug 31 1977.
- 46. ii **Jessica Lynelle Batton** born Oct 3 1980.
- 18. **Darnell Alford Batton** (Dorothy², Zollie¹) born Sep 24 1956, married Jul 15 1978, Millie Lou Bradley, born Jul 22 1955.

Children:

- 47. i **Bryan Wade Batton** born Jun 30 1979.
- 48. ii Mark Alexander Batton born Sep 13 1982.
- 19. Mary Lynette Alford (Cloyce², Zollie¹) born Dec 1 1959, NC, married Jun 14 1986, Alan R. Kozar, born Dec 16 1959.

Children:

- 49. i **Corey Scott A. Kozar** born Apr 20 1977.
- 50. ii **Matthew Alan Kozar** born Apr 17 1988.
- 51.iii **Andrew David Kozar** born Jan 14 1992.
- 22. Jan Stallings Alford (Johnny², Zollie¹) born Dec 14 1959, NC, married Apr 12 1986, Teresa Creech, born Mar 24 1958.

Children:

- 52. i **Jason Patrick Alford** born Oct 8 1988, NC.
- 53. ii **Stephanie Paige Alford** born Dec 19 1991.

Sent by Robert Lewis, AAFA #789

THE NEWS AND OBSERVER
Raleigh, NC—Thursday, 26 Nov 1998

Dec. 26, 1922-Nov. 25, 1998

WENDELL—Leamon Luke Alford, 75, of 6625 Lake Myra Rd., died Wednesday morning at Rex Hospital. Funeral service will be 2 p.m. Friday at Central Baptist Church. Burial in the church cemetery.

Surviving: wife, Hester Pearl Alford; son and daughter-in-law, Glenn and Faye Alford of Wendell; daughters and sons-in-law, Glenda and Danny Miles of Wendell, Sue and Rex Ray of Clayton, Donna and Hal Boyette of Clayton; mother, Annie Medlin Alford; sisters, Gladys Honeycutt, Ann "Lib" Curtis and Grace Tutor, all of Wendell, Wilma Woodard of Raleigh; brothers, John "Buck" Alford of Raleigh, Ed Alford of Rolesville, Herman Alford of Wendell; 10 grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren.

He was predeceased by his father, Luke Alford and sister, Lois Honeycutt....

The family will receive friends from 7-9 p.m. today at Strickland Funeral Home....

AAFA NOTES: Leamon's grandparents were Charles and Alice Alford. The line can be traced back to Julius Alford born 1717 in New Kent Co., VA and his wife Lucy who later lived in Franklin Co., NC.

MARY GORDON ALFORD BOWERS

Sent by Robert Lewis, AAFA #789

THE CHARLOTTE OBSERVER Charlotte, NC—Sat., 22 August 1998

EDGEMOOR—Mary Gordon Alford Bowers, 75, of 1944 Chestnut Lane, died Wednesday, August 19, 1998 at her residence.

Funeral services will be private. Survivors include five sons, Johnny E. Alford of Sumter, SC, Lee S. Alford of York, SC, William David Alford and Robert Alford, both of Rock Hill, Thomas H. Alford of Chester, SC; one daughter, Donna A. Carpenter of Gulf Shores, AL; 14 grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren.

Cauthen Funeral Home is serving the Bowers Family.

NORMAN SIDNEY ALFORD

Sent by Robert Lewis, AAFA #789

THE NEWS AND OBSERVER
Raleigh, NC—Sun., 6 December 1998

MIDDLESEX—Norman Sidney Alford, 81, died Dec. 2, 1998. Funeral was held Friday, Dec. 4, 1998 at Lee's Chapel.... Burial, Middlesex Cemetery.

Surviving: wife, Elizabeth Alford; daughter, Wanda Barbour of Raleigh; son, Danny Norman Alford of Middlesex; sister, Joyce Horne of Wilson; brother, Royster Alford of Sims; grandchildren, Jessica Barbour of Raleigh, Brandon and Amber Alford, both of Middlesex.

Visitation was held 7–9 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 3, 1998 at Joyner's Funeral Home, 4100 US 264 West.

SARAH FRANCES ALFORD MORRISON CLARK

WINSTON-SALEM JOURNAL Winston-Salem, NC—26 Feb 1998

Mrs. Sarah Frances Clark of 1615 Granite Street, passed away Sunday, February 22, 1998 at Forsyth Memorial Hospital. She was born in Rowland, N.C. to John Alford, Sr. and the late Sarah Alford. She was a member of Steadfast Apostolic Church of Christ. She was employed at Arbor Acres where she worked as a certified nursing assistant. Survivors include her father, Mr. John Alford, Sr. of Winston-Salem; a devoted friend, Benjamin Pitts of the home; three sons,

Anthony (Tracy) Morrison, James Morrison, and Fredrick Morrison, Sr., all of Winston-Salem; five grandchildren, Candise Morrison, Anthony Morrison, Jr., Jasmine Morrison, Jamesha Morrison, and Fredrick Morrison, Jr., all of Winston-Salem; one sister, Omelia Thompson (John) of Advance, N.C.; three brothers, John (Diane) Alford, Jr. and Barnes Alford, both of Winston-Salem and Richard (Isabella) Alford of Fairmont, N.C.; a devoted family friend, Lillie Alford of Winston-Salem; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends.

Graveside services will be held today at 1 p.m. at Piedmont Memorial Gardens The family may be contacted at the home, 1615 Granite Street. (Johnson-Howard-Robinson Home of Memory)



DOROTHY E. ALFORD

TULSA WORLD
Tulsa, OK—18 October 1998

Alford, Dorothy E., died on October 14, 1998. She is survived by: her husband of 56 years, George; sons, Richard and wife, Jill of Carolton, TX, George Jr. and wife, Karen of Deland, FL, Thomas and wife, Sue of Panora, IA, Dean and wife, Anne of Broken Arrow; 12 grandchildren and 6 greatgrandchildren. A Bible Vigil will be 7 p.m., Monday, October 19 at St. Thomas More Chapel. A Mass of Christian Burial will be 10 a.m., Tuesday, October 20, 1998 at the Church of the Resurrection.... The Fitzgerald Funeral Service, 585-1151.

NOTE: In three death notices that the

paper printed October 17, 18, and 19, Dorothy's age was given as 79.

EUGENE R. ALFORD

TULSA WORLD Tulsa, OK—6 Nov 1995

Eugene Alford, who served as a member of the 45th Infantry Division's Company C during World War II, died Saturday. He was 74.

Services are pending with Moore's Eastlawn Chapel.

Alford, a member of the absentee Shawnee tribe, was drafted into Company C when he was a student at Chilocco Indian High School. He began his military career as a baker. He earned two Purple Hearts, a Silver Star and Bronze Star for his military service.

In May 1945, Alford was one of many Oklahoma Indians who helped to liberate Dachau concentration camp. His role in liberating the camps was honored in 1992 during the annual Holocaust commemoration "Yom Ha Shoah."

After the war, he returned to Oklahoma. He was a coach at Bowen Indian Mission and Madison Middle School. He was an active member of Tulsa's Military Order of the Purple Heart and the National Chilocco Alumni Association.

He is survived by wife, Tavene Sue Cornell Alford; a son, Eugene R. Alford Jr. of Phoenix; three daughters, Yvonne K. Cahwee, Dianne S. Francis and Janene F. Alford, all of Tulsa; a brother, Webster W. Alford Jr. of Boynton; nine grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

AAFA Notes: This is the grandson of David W. Alford, full brother of Thomas Wildcat Alford, both being great-grandsons of Tecumseh. David W. Alford was born in 1863 and died of smallpox, September 29, 1900. The name of his wife is not known at this time. Eugene R. was one of two sons of David's son Webster W. Alford.

GEORGE B. ALFORD

SHAWNEE NEWS-STAR Shawnee, OK—3 Dec 1998

Lifelong Shawnee resident George B. Alford died Monday at a local hospital. He was 75.

Services will be 10 a.m. today at Roesch-Walker Funeral Chapel.... Burial will be at the Brown family cemetery. Dinner will follow at the Shawnee VFW hall.

He was born in Pottawatomie County on Feb. 10, 1923, the son of Laric and Betsy (Foreman) Alford. He served in the U.S. Army during WWII and received the Bronze Star, the Victory Medal and the Good Conduct Medal.

He married Karleta Makaseah on Nov. 23, 1949, in Snyder, Tx., and retired from Tinker Air Force Base in 1980.

He was a member of First Indian Baptist Church.

Preceding him in death were his parents and one daughter, Jeanette Alford

Surviving are his wife, Karleta Alford, of the home; sons and daughters-in-law, Bruce and Sandra Alford, Sapulpa; Dave and Leora Alford, Shawnee; Michael Alford, Shawnee; daughter and son-in-law, Joyce and Richard Burris, Shawnee; 9 grandchildren, 2 g-grandchildren and many other relatives.

AAFA NOTES from Marian Alford Reeves: Thomas Wildcat Alford's father was George Wildcat Alford and his mother, the granddaughter of Tecumseh, was Way-lah-ske-se.
Thomas Wildcat had three full siblings—David Alford, Nellie Alford Warrior, and Nancy Alford Hood.
When George Wildcat remarried after the death of his first wife in 1869, he married Sarah Longtail, and their children were Thompson, Casper, Aleric, and James. These are all Thomas W.'s half brothers. George B. was the son of Aleric Alford and Betsy

Foreman. He was also a member of the Absentee Shawnee Tribe.

HAZEL MAGEE FRANCIS ALFORD

Sent by the late Julius M. Alford, AAFA #013

McCOMB-ENTERPRISE-JOURNAL McComb, MS—Thur., 15 Dec 1994

BROKEN BOW, Okla.—Hazel Alford, 74, of Broken Bow, died Dec. 10, 1994, at a hospital there.

Visitation will be 6–9 p.m. Friday at Craft Funeral Home of McComb. Services will be at 1 p.m. Saturday at Society Hill Baptist Church.... Burial will be in Fernwood Cemetery.

Mrs. Alford was born March 29, 1920, in McComb. She was the daughter of Isador and Augusta Magee.

She was a retired teacher, having taught for 43 years in the Broken Bow school system. She attended Pike County Agricultural High School and Southern University in Baton Rouge, La., where she was a member of Pi Sigma Alpha Beta. She was a member of Macedonia Baptist Church in Broken Bow, where she was church musician and choir director for several years.

She was preceded in death by her parents; and her husband, Clyde Julius Alford Sr.

She is survived by three sons, Robert Alford of Dallas, Clyde Alford Jr. of Broken Bow and Joe Nathan Francis of Durant, Okla.; two daughters, Tiffany Francis of Idobel, Okla., and Charlesetta Alford of Broken Bow; three grandchildren and three great–grandchildren.

JEAN ALFORD CIZEK

THE DAILY OKLAHOMAN
Oklahoma City, OK—7 January 1993

Cizek, Jean, 42, of Okla. City. Services 10:30 a.m. Sat., Jan. 9, 1993 at Botone Memorial Church, Carnegie, Ok. Burial Tenehdoah Cemetery.

Survived by husband, Melvin; 3 sons, Melvin Ray, Floyd Art and John David; 2 daughters, Julie Lucille Cizek and Cherry Cizek; 2 brothers, E.R. Alford, Sr. and Jesse Alford; and 2 sisters, Gail Rye and Diana Brandon. Pitcher-Hackney Funeral Home, Carnegie, Ok.

JUANITA KELLEY ALFORD PEERY

THE PURCELL REGISTER
McClain Co., OK—Thurs., 17 Dec 1998

Funeral services for Juanita Kelley Alford Peery, 83, of Chickasha will be held Monday, December 21, at 1:30 p.m. at the College Heights Baptist Church. Interment will be in the Lexington Cemetery under the direction of Sevier Funeral Home.

Mrs. Peery died Tuesday, December 15, in Chickasha.

She was born December 28, 1914 in Lexington, the eldest of five children, to Simon James and Lula Morrell Kelley. She graduated from Lexington High in 1932, receiving her B.S. Degree from Central State University in 1940 and her Master's Degree from East Central State College in 1956. She taught at Rocky Point, Stovall, Lexington and Wewoka, retiring after 37 years.

She and Charles T. Alford were married Dec. 24, 1936 and he preceded her in death Sept. 25, 1967. She then married Stan Peery, her childhood sweetheart of 42 years, on Dec. 22, 1973. He preceded her in death on Feb. 22, 1988.

Mrs. Peery was a member of College Heights Baptist Church and Esther Sunday School Class.

She was preceded in death by twin daughters; her parents and one brother, Col. Wendell J. Kelley, U.S. Air Force.

Survivors include one son, Joe Ed Alford and his wife, Oteka, of Chickasha; one stepdaughter, Cheryl McCown and her husband, Charley, of Lexington; three sisters, Monace Schmidt, Fredde Lurry and Peggy Lou Kelley, all of Oklahoma City; four sisters-in-law, Mary E. Kelley of Midwest City, Zella Alford of Purcell, Madxine Alford Sherrard of Edmond and Nellie Peery Kemp of Cleburn, Texas; one brother-in-law, Ray Peery of Lexington; four grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

LOWELL H. HALFORD

THE DAILY OKLAHOMAN
Oklahoma City, OK—16 October 1992

Halford, Lowell H., 69, a resident of Harrah since 1974, passed away Oct. 14, 1992. A veteran of WWII and Korean Conflict (U.S. Marine Corps), Lowell later retired as a civilian from Tinker AFB. He was active in and held positions at Midwest City Free Methodist Church for over 30 years.

He is survived by his wife, Marcella; daughters, Kim Burgoyne and Kelly Webb; brothers, Lester and Larry, and sister, Edna Briggs; grandchildren, Nicholas and Emily Webb; many other loved family and friends. Services 10:30 a.m. Monday, Oct. 19, 1992 at MWC Free Methodist Church. Interment will be 1:00 p.m. at Red Rock Cemetery, west of El Reno.... Asa Smith Funeral Service 454-2201

REBECCA "BETTY" IDA ALVORD CARTER KINNE

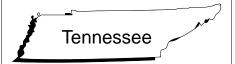
THE DAILY OKLAHOMAN
Oklahoma City, OK—11 June 1996

Kinne, Rebecca "Betty" Ida, 83, passed away June 9, 1996. She was born Feb. 4, 1913 in Scotia, NY to

Charles & Elizabeth Alvord. She was a retired nurses' technician at St. Clara's Hospital in New York. Betty was a member of Eagle Heights Baptist Church. She loved everyone and was loved by all who knew her. Preceded in death by her husband, Kurt F. Kinne.

Survivors include her children, Charles J. Carter of Metairie, La, Evelyn Graves of Clearlake, Ca, Ellen Taylor of Scotia, NY, Pete Carter of Wellston, Ok. & Marti Taylor of OKC; brothers, Dorian Alvord of Broadalbin, NY & Robert Alvord of Mertzen, Tx; numerous grandchildren, nieces, nephews & cousins. Memorial services will be held at 11:00 a.m. Sunday, June 23, at Eagle Heights Baptist Church.

AAFA NOTE: The obituary of Rebecca's nephew Richard Alvord in published in this issue in the NY section.



CUMINE ALFORD CHRANE TOMLINSON

Sent by the late Dave Price, AAFA #168

No source

MT. JULIET, TN—Tomlinson, Cumine Alford Chrane age 92. Died Nov. 26, 1996. Survived by sons, Horace E. 'Tex' (Reba) Tomlinson and Eddie Lloyd Tomlinson of Mt. Juliet; daughters, Joy (Charles) Curtis, Laingburg, MI and Gloria Ann (Mike) McDiarmid, Lansing, MI; sister, Bessie Seiner. Ontario, CA; sixteen grandchildren; twenty-three greatgrandchildren and numerous greatgreat grandchildren.

She was born Dec. 2, 1903 at Oakland, Indian Territory, the daughter of the late Julius Edward and Alice Casey Alford. She was preceded in death by daughter, Louise Calhoon; sisters, Celler Mae Felty, Beulah Lorena Meyers, Edith Juanita Alford, Cynthia Lee Rouse, and Florence Delores Mexner; brothers, James Lawrence Alford, Julius Edward 'Fat' Alford, Jr., Bennie Hubert Alford, Otis Dewey Alford, Fred Daveron Warren Alford and Erasmus Cade Alford. Funeral service will be 1:00 p.m. Saturday at Mt. Juliet Funeral Home....The remains will be conveyed to Mt. Juliet Memorial Gardens by means of a wagon which will be pulled by two blazed faced Percheron horses driven by their owner, John A. Austin, of Chestnut Mound, TN.

AAFA NOTES: Cumine's father was born in 1869, the son of Erasmus Cade Alford and Frances C. Smith. He was born in Troup Co GA and died in Coleman Co. TX. Erasmus was the son of James Alford whose father was Lodwick Cade Alford born 1775 in NC, the son of Julius Alford and Rebecca Jackson.

EDGAR EARL ALFORD Brother of Emma Alford Gilmer, AAFA #55

SHREVEPORT TIMES
Shreveport, LA—Tues., 6 Oct 1998

CORDOVA, TN-Edgar Earl Alford, 74, of Cordova, formerly of Bossier City, LA, retired brick mason, died of heart failure Friday at his home. Graveside services will be at noon Tuesday at Lakewood Memorial Cemetery in Jackson, Miss. Forest Hill Funeral Home East has charge. He was a World War II Marine veteran and a master mason of Grand Lodge in Mississippi. Mr. Alford, the husband of Lola Alford for 55 years, also leaves a daughter, Sandra Ward of Germantown: a son, Jim Alford of Cordova; a sister, Emma Gilmer of Memphis, and four grandchildren....

AAFA NOTES: Edgar was the son of Harry Edward Alford and Carrie S. Stanford. He is from the John Alford 1801 NC branch.

ERMA LOIS ALFORD McCRACKEN

THE OAK RIDGER
Oak Ridge, TN—6 July 1998

Lois Alford McCracken of Oak Ridge, died Sunday morning, July 5, 1998, at Methodist Medical Center. She was 71.

Born June 1, 1927, in Johnson County, N.C., she was the daughter of the late Ivan Connie Alford and Rosa Lee Royall Alford.

Mrs. McCracken was an active member of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, serving as circle chairman, president of the women's organization, a Sunday school teacher, and member and chairman of the Kitchen Guild. She was an active volunteer worker for Methodist Medical Center of Oak Ridge for many years, serving as president of the volunteers in 1979.

Survivors include her husband of 53 years, Howard L. "Mac" McCracken of Oak Ridge; two daughters and sons-in-law, Gayle and James Drummond of Knoxville and Debbie and Dan Starnes of Nashville; son and daughter-in-law Steve and Debbie McCracken of St. Peters, Mo.; grandchildren Brian and Brad Pritchard of Knoxville, Brook and Sarah McCracken of St. Peters, and Erin, Joey, Patrick and Ryan Starnes of Nashville.

Also surviving are her sisters, Connie Taylor of Stovall, N.C., Shirley Alford of Marissa, Ill., and Helen Hendrick of Oxford, N.C.

The funeral will be held at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 7....

Burial will be Wednesday morning at Oak Ridge Memorial Park.... Weatherford Mortuary was in charge of funeral arrangements.

AAFA Notes: Lois was actually Erma Lois Alford. She is from the Bython B. Alford branch of the family, a group which includes several AAFA members. Her father, Ivan Connie Alford, was born 16 Sept 1904 and died 26 Dec 1943. He was the son of William J. Alford and Sophronia Woodall.

JANE LEWIS ALFORD

Sent by the late David Price, AAFA #168

No source _____, TN—1 Dec 1996

Jane Alford, 57, 4733 Araphaho
Bend, Antioch, a gift shop saleswoman, died Friday, at home of heart
disease. Services 1 p.m. tomorrow,
Woodbine Funeral Home, Nashville.
Survivors: husband, George L. Gulley
Sr.; daughters, Jacqueline Fluty,
Murfreesboro, Ramona Janzen,
Windom, Minn., and Georgette Gulley,
Antioch; son, George Gulley, Nashville; mother, Mildred Lewis, Nashville; brother, James Lewis, Nashville;
seven grandchildren; four greatgrandchildren.

AAFA NOTES: The name of Jane Alford in this obituary is curious. Her husband and children's names are Gulley. Her brother's last name is Lewis. Anyone know this family?

JOAN ELLIOTT HOLFORD

KNOXVILLE NEWS-SENTINEL Knoxville, TN—27 Dec 1998

Holford, Joan Elliott—age 83, of Knoxville, passed away at home Sunday, December 20, 1998. She was a member of Unity Church of Knoxville. Daughter of the late Robert L. Elliott and Rosalie Fowler Elliott of Evansville, Ill. Mrs. Holford attended Northwestern University and graduated from National College of Education in Evanston. A pioneer teacher in the Knoxville Headstart Kindergarten Program, she was a retired Knox County school teacher and also taught and lived in California for many years. Survivors include a brother, Robert L. Elliott, Jr., Evanston, Ill.; daughters, Katherine Simmons, Starkville, Miss., Joan Hux, Bay St. Louis, Miss., Susan Daffner, Balboa, Calif.; a son, Scott Holford, Mill Spring, N.C.; niece, Jeannie Elliott of California; and 10 grandchildren. A memorial service will be held Tuesday evening at 6:30 p.m. December 29, 1998, at the offices of the Unity Church, 2424 Sutherland Avenue.

MURAL HOUSTON ALFORD

First cousin once removed of Pat Sidebottom, AAFA #1049

NASHVILLE TENNESSEAN Nashville, TN—Sunday, 1 Nov 1998

Mural Houston Alford, 76, Beech Grove, TN, a retired truck driver with Batesville Casket Co., died yesterday [Oct 31], St. Thomas Hospital, Nashville of a heart attack. Services 2 p.m. today, High Funeral Home, McMinnville, TN. Survivors: daughter, Fredia Campbell, McMinnville; son, Randy Alford, McMinnville; brothers. Gary, Wayne Alford, both Beech Grove; sisters, Orene, Betty Mae Hockett, Emogene Burgess, Vivian Floyd, all Beech Grove; three grandchildren.

AAFA NOTES: Mural/Murl was the son of Murl Houston Alford (1895–after 1970) and first wife Edith Perry (1898-1947) of the Coffee County Alfords, a line that goes back to a

William Alford, born 1751 NC. Pat Sidebottom's grandfather, William Levi Alford, was the brother of the elder Murl, and they were sons of George Oliver Alford and Betty (Elizabeth) Spry. Pat has his name as Marion Houston and his second wife as Erlene Wilson. In the HooDoo Cemetery where this couple is buried, there are two infants listed as children of Mr. and Mrs. M.H. Alford (Cathy, born and died Nov. 21, 1958, and Marion, born and died Sept. 21, 1959) who must have been children of this man. His parents and sisters Lillie and Betty Mae are listed in the 1920 Coffee County, TN census. Lillie must have predeceased him.



ANNIE LUCILLE ALFORD WILLIAMS

Sent by Dovie Alford, AAFA #110

HOUSTON CHRONICLE
Houston, TX—Mon., 17 March 1997

Lucille Alford Williams, 80, passed away at her residence, March 15, 1997. Lucille was born, raised and was a lifelong residence of Magnolia. She attended Sam Houston State University and retired from the U.S. Postal Service. Lucille was also a member of the First Baptist Church of Magnolia. She was preceded in death by her husband of 57 years, Roman B. Williams in 1995. She is survived by her loving family; nephew Wayne Yancey and his wife

Connie, niece Gaye Yancey and numerous other relatives.... Funeral services will be held 2 p.m. Tuesday at the First Baptist Church of Magnolia.... Interment will follow at Magnolia Cemetery. Pallbearers will be Allen Satterwhite, Bobby Yancey, Jim Hufnall, Marvin Dorris, Bo Rickett, and Louis Turner....

AAFA NOTES: Her name was really Annie Lucille Alford. She was born 3 June 1917 in Montgomery County, the daughter of Harrison "Harry" W. Alford and Lydia R. Thomas. She was of the William 1808 SC branch of the family.

BESSIE MAE SMITH ALFORD

THE LUFKIN DAILY NEWS
Lufkin, TX—Wed., 28 October 1998

Graveside services for Bessie Mae (Smith) Alford, 87, of Lufkin, were held at 3 pm Tuesday in the Odd Fellow Cemetery in Carthage....

Mrs. Alford was born Jan 22, 1911 in Blocker and died Oct 25, 1998 in San Augustine. She was the retired owner of Sabine Movie Theatre in Hemphill.

Survivors: daughter and son-inlaw, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Warren Stewart, Jr.; one grandson and wife; brother-in-law and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Seth Smith; two nephews and one niece. Taylor Funeral Home, Timpson, directors.

C.B. "BUSTER" HALFORD

TIMES RECORD NEWS
Wichita Falls, TX—28 Nov 1998

CHILDRESS, Texas—C.B. "Buster" Halford, 86, of Childress died Thursday, Nov. 26, 1998. Services were at 4 p.m. Friday at First United Methodist

Church.... Arrangements are under the direction of Johnson Funeral Home.

Mr. Halford was born Oct. 20, 1912, in High Point Community, Childress County. He and Roselee Hunt were married Aug. 10, 1930. He was a member of Hughes Bible Class of First United Methodist Church of Childress. A son, L.J. Halford died in 1979.

Survivors include his wife; two daughters, Linda Blackburn of Owasso, Okla., and Geraldine Seal of Childress; two sons, Clinton, and Harold both of Childress; 16 grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren....

DOVIE LEE ALFORD

Mother of Lana Kay Alford Manning, AAFA #1006, and Beverly Grace Alford, AAFA #916

PEACE RIVER BLOCK NEWS

Dawson Creek, BC Canada—15 Aug 1983

Funeral services were held August 13, 1983, for the late Dovie Lee Alford, Ozona, Texas, at the First Baptist Church under the direction of Sizemore Funeral Homes with interment in the Cedar Hill Cemetery.

She was born Dovie Lee, September 10th, 1915 in Oklahoma, U.S.A., and passed away at Doctor's Hospital, Dallas, Texas, at the age of 67. She married Quebe Alford July 4th, 1935 in San Angelo, Texas and was a member of the First Baptist Church.

She leaves to mourn her loss, her husband Quebe Alford, Mesquite, Texas and her three daughters—Darlyne Neuballer, Dallas, Texas; Beverly Alford, Dawson Creek, B.C. and Lana Manning of Dallas, Texas.

She is survived by two sisters— Evelyn Haynie, San Angelo, Texas, and Grace, of Oklahoma; one brother Bob Lee, Miles, Texas and one grand daughter.

AAFA NOTES: We published the

obituary of Dovie's husband, Quebe Alford, in the Fall 1995 issue, p. 20.

EARL "TUB" AMBERS ALFORD

TEXARKANA GAZETTE
Texarkana, TX—Monday, 6 July 1998

LINDEN, TEXAS—Earl "Tub" Ambers Alford, 83, of Linden died Saturday, July 4, 1998, in a Texarkana hospital.

Mr. Alford was born Oct. 18, 1914, in Heavener, Okla. He was a truck driver and veteran of World War II. He was preceded in death by his wife, Jessie Jay Alford, and one daughter, Jeannie.

Survivors include three sons, Randal Alford of Linden, Otis Alford of Benton Harbor, Mich., and Billy Don Alford of Diana, Texas; two daughters, Debbie Day and Ruth Alford of Texarkana, Ark.; 18 grandchildren; and 22 great-grandchildren.

Graveside services will be 2 pm today in Center Hill Cemetery.... Burial will be under the direction of Haaland Family Funeral Home.

JACK WARD ALFORD

Sent by Pat Fite, AAFA #70

No source Monday, 18 August 1986

HUGHES SPRINGS—Graveside services for Jack Ward Alford, 75, of Avinger will be 10 a.m. Monday at Avinger Cemetery.... Reeder-Davis Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Alford died Friday [Aug 15] in a Linden nursing home.

He was a member of the Avinger United Methodist Church and Woodmen of the World.

Survivors include a son, Roy Jack of Russellville, Ark.; two brothers, William B. and Jimmy Young, both of Avinger; a sister, Nina Sanford of Avinger, and Leah Andrews of Dallas.

AAFA NOTES: Jack was the son of George W. Alford and Beatrice Young. They trace their line back to Jacob Alford born 1784 in GA or NC. The obituary of Jack's sister Leah Andrews, who died 31 Jan 1992, appears next in this article.

LEAH ALFORD ANDREWS

Sent by Pat Fite, AAFA #70

LONGVIEW NEWS-JOURNAL Longview, TX—2 February 1992

HUGHES SPRINGS—Graveside services for Leah "Pete Alford" Andrews, 88, of Dallas will be 4 p.m. today at Avinger Cemetery ... under the direction of Reeder-Davis Funeral Home of Hughes Springs.

She died Friday [Jan 31] in Dallas.

Mrs. Andrews was born in Avinger. She was a member of Lake Highlands United Methodist Church in Dallas and a former member of of the United Methodist Church of Avinger. She was a member of the Order of Eastern Star for more than 50 years. She was active in the Wildfower Trails of Texas and other civic organizations. She was a LVN and upon retirement she lived in Avinger for 10 years. She was a former resident of White Oak having lived there for 20 years.

She was preceded in death by a son, Glenn Andrews in 1978.

Survivors include her daughter, Agnes Joan Tucker of Dallas; a daughter-in-law, Janie Andrews of Houston; a sister, Nina Sanford, Avinger; a brother Jimmy Alford of Avinger; and five grandchildren, Martha and Brian Wiggins, both of Tyler, Virginia Hughlett of Navasota, Glenna and Matthew Trujillo, both of Houston. AAFA NOTES: Leah was married to L.H. Andrews. She was the daughter of George W. Alford and Beatrice Young. They trace their line back to Jacob Alford born 1784 in GA or NC. The obituary of Lleah's brother Jack Alford, who died 15 Aug 1986, appears earlier in this article.

LULA BRUMBLEY ALFORD

Sent by Arliene Alford, AAFA #196

BEAUMONT ENTERPRISE
Beaumont, TX—Fri., 8 Jan 1999

Lula Alford, 104, of Dallas died Jan. 2 at Tri City Hospital in Dallas.

Funeral will be at 11 a.m. Saturday at Dixie Baptist Church in Jasper with burial at Indian Creek Cemetery under the direction of Robinson Community Funeral Home in Jasper....

A native of and former resident of Jasper, she lived in Dallas 20 years.

Survivors include daughters, Lucille Davis of Dallas and Bulah Ford of Port Arthur; son, L.C. Alford of Hawkins; and brother, Ivory Brumbley of Houston.

MARY LOUISE ALFORD GALBREATH

Sister of Glenice Jo Perdue, AAFA #318

ROCKDALE REPORTER
Rockdale, TX—3 Dec 1998

Funeral services for Mary Louise (Alford) Galbreath, 61, were held at 1 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 1, 1998 at Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home with burial following in I.O.O.F. Cemetery in Rockdale. Rev. Doug Springer of Rockdale Full Gospel Church officiated.

Mrs. Galbreath died Saturday, Nov. 28 at her home. She was a Rockdale resident for the past 43 years.

She was born Aug. 7, 1937 in Limestone County to James J. Alford and Gertrude Long Alford. She married Ira Galbreath on March 21, 1955 in Groesbeck. Mrs. Galbreath was a housewife and a member of Hillcrest Baptist Church.

Mrs. Galbreath is survived by her husband, Ira Galbreath of Rockdale; three daughters, Lillie Ann Noey and husband Clifford of Lubbock, Judy Kay Wells and husband John Wayne of Dermott, Arkansas and Mary Frances Oritz and husband Ricky of Victoria; a brother, Rusty Alford of Pearland; four sisters, Reba Long of Fairfield, Betty Davis of Chilton, Bonnie Fields of Grand Prairie and Joe Perdue of Mansfield; and nine grand-children.

Pallbearers were Billy Blanchard, Mark Torres, Bob Davis, Ricky Fields, James Davis and Oscar Ortiz.

AAFA NOTES: Mary Louise Alford was the youngest of 12 children of James Jackson Alford, born 14 Sep 1893, and died 7 Feb 1983, in Limestone Co. TX. He married Gertrude Long on 12 Dec 1915, in McLennan Co. TX. She was born 18 Sept 1895 and died 31 July 1982. Both are buried in the Seale-Round Prairie Cemetery in Limestone Co. TX. They are from the Isham Alford branch of the family through his son Baldy.

MORENE ALFORD

KANSAS CITY STAR Kansas City, MO—18 Nov 1993

Morene Alford, 66, Itasca, Texas, formerly of Kansas City, died Nov. 14, 1993, at the home. Memorial services were Tuesday. Mrs. Alford was born in Watika, Okla., and lived in this area most of her life; she moved to Itasca 10 years ago. She worked for the Durafab Co. in Italy, Texas. She was a member of the Central Baptist Church, Itasca. Survivors include three daugh-

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Zollie and Lala Alford of Franklin Co., NC

In this article, Ma and Pa Alford are Zollie and Lala (Batchelor) Alford, parents and grandparents of five AAFA members. Lala's obituary is in this issue's "Obituaries," and her son Floyd is remembered in this issue's "In Remembrance." The newspaper article, by the daughter of David and Dorothy (Alford) Batton, includes a photograph of Lala with the caption, "'Ma' is Lala Batchelor Alford, who is now 96 years old and lives in the same farmhouse on old Highway 64 in Pilot." Her husband, Zollie, died in 1977.

THE FRANKLIN TIMES
Louisburg, NC—Sat., 26 July 1997

From the column "Times Past: A Perspective on The History of Franklin County"

Sweet memories of life on the farm

By Carol B. Cheves

(Note: Carol Batton Cheves is a teacher at Louisburg Elementary School She also leads the Junior Historical Society which has worked on a number of interesting projects involving the history of Franklin County. In 1994 Cheves contributes this article, told from her point of view as a child, to a project called "Tar Heel Memories.")

long for the simple life—not fretting with homework, arguing with siblings, or tackling mundane chores. Contentment comes with the closing of the school doors and a weekly invitation to Ma and Pa Alford's.

My grandparents own a farm with corn, soybean, cotton, and tobacco fields arranged like a vast patchwork quilt. Apple trees and vegetable and flower gardens abound, inviting me to pluck their fruits and savor their fragrances. Bullfrogs croak down by the pond while mockingbirds sing in the tall oaks nearby.

Lazy cats are free to hunt, explore, and make their beds on doorsteps, on my lap, or wherever they wish. Chickens, pigs, bird dogs, and the milk cow are confined to pens, dependent on Pa and me for water, food, and love.

Ma and Pa get up early in the morning to start their day, but do not wake me until almost breakfast time-5:30 a.m. Ma comes in, touches me gently, and whispers that it is time to get up. The smell of buttermilk biscuits and sizzling sausage drifting from the kitchen are encouragement enough not to linger. I throw my clothes on quickly and make the bed, being careful to straighten the white chenille bedspread as Ma does. I wash my face and hands before going into the kitchen. This is much more pleasant at Ma's because she uses sweet-smelling soap, not that old cheap Ivory we use at home.

When Pa comes in from milking the cow, it is time to eat. He sets the full pail of milk on the counter so that Ma can process it later. If we are lucky, old Bessie did not eat wild onions the day before, the milk will be good.

Ma, in her homemade cotton dress and apron, sits at the head of the table with Pa on her left. As always, except on Sunday, he wears his striped blue overalls. Ma reads the Bible as we listen. My mouth waters at the sight of the mountain of biscuits, the sausage, scrambled eggs, grits, strawberry preserves, and butter. I admire the red, white, yellow, and pink snapdragons Ma has cut and placed in the china vase on the table. The closing of the Bible is Pa's cue to ask the blessing.

Pa does not say much, but he means what he says.

When we finish the meal, I help Ma clear the table and I wash the dishes. She dries and puts them away. She insists that I put lotion on my hands, Jergens lotion. This the best smelling stuff! I don't have that at home either. Ma says it will keep my hands nice and soft.

Down at the tobacco barn, I help Pa count tobacco sticks and hand tobacco. Handing tobacco involves picking up tobacco, three or four leaves at a time, and passing it to a stringer who loops the tobacco on a stick with cotton twine. Pa hires several neighbors to help barn tobacco, so we know each other well. We talk while we work about school, food, clothes, music, Elvis, and Eisenhower. I get so caught up in what is being said that I slow down in my work. Mabel Spiver, the stringer, nudges my elbow at this point,. I consciously speed up, then before I know it, her rough hand is pawing at me again. She says, "Child, you is rotten.!" Then she has herself a good laugh.

When we make too much commotion and not much production, Pa doesn't have to say a word. He just clears his throat as if to say, "Okay, back to work!"

About mid-morning, Pa goes to Mr. Lemmy Massey's store about a half-mile up the road. When he returns, he has a wooden crate and a large brown bag full of goodies. Everybody finds a cinder block, an upside-down bucket, or something to sit on and starts gulping RC Colas, Pepsis, and grape sodas to wash down the nabs and moon pies.

Pa sends me to the house with a little Coca-Cola for Ma because she needs to be refreshed, too. While we work at the barn, she gathers vegetables to prepare our lunch, washes clothes, and churns. Ma sits with a bowl of freshly dug potatoes in her lap as I go in.

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"Alfords" in the 1850 IA, TN, and VA Census

Prepared by Alicia Houston and the Census Project Team

hese census reports are products of the AAFA census team. The data is not intended to reflect either the "true" facts or what descendant families believe to be the facts. It is also not guaranteed to be without error. Nevertheless, every attempt has been made to provide a complete and faithful representation of the information recorded on the original enumeration forms.

For the Iowa and Virginia extractions, the initial lists of names to be extracted were prepared from published census indexes and, in some cases, supplemented by unindexed entries. The everyname extractions were performed using the microfilm as a source and then verified for completeness and accuracy.

For the Tennessee extraction, in addition to contributions by AAFA members, publications by Byron Sistler and Associates, Inc., of Nashville, TN, provided the basic data and index for this unit. The microfilmed entries for each household were then revisited and verified for completeness and accuracy.

The categories on each line appear in the following order: first name, last name, sex, age in years unless stated as months, *MSW, color (assumed to be white unless shown otherwise), birth place, occupation, and property.

* There may be any one of three entries:

M = married within the year

S = attended school within the year

W = can't read or write.

For Tennessee, the sex was not extracted in the extraction produced by Byron Sistler and Associates. In cases where we have that data, it is included, otherwise there is no entry in the sex column.

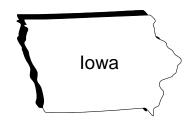
Birthplace is shown with the approved postal abbreviations for states in the U.S. Foreign places, if applicable, were abbreviated as follows: AU = Austria, CD = Canada, EN = England, GE = Germany, IR = Ireland, etc.

The order of the information in the two-line family header is, on the first line, the name of the political subdivision or enumeration district and the enumeration date; on the second line is the census page number, census dwelling or house number, and census family number (if provided).

AAFA acknowledges the efforts of Susan Laubengayer

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Mary A.	Allers	F	26	PA			
Jonathan	Allers	M	14	OH	S		
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Francis	Hafford	17	TN	S			Joseph H.	Alford		13	TN S	5	
Sarah	Hafford	12	TN	S			Robert N.	Alford		10	TN S	5	
Martha	Hafford	9	TN	S			Thos. B.	Alford		8	TN		
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Joseph	Halford	16	TN	Laborer		Mary	Banner	9	TN		
Mary	Halford	15	TN			Martha	Alford	24	TN		
Elizabeth	Halford	12	TN			Robert	McMillen	20	??	Student	
John	Halford	11	TN			A.G.	Cook	24	GA		
Sarah	Halford	9	TN								
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Robert	Homan	1	TN	D 1		Martha	Williams	41	NC		
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						Nancy	Alford	24	TN		
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Page 354	House 1583		ily 1583			Mary C.	Alford	4	TN		
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Page 409	House 797					Martha C.	Alford	29	TN		
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Wm. M.	Alford	31	AL		Overseer	Wm. J	Hughs	24	NC			
Matilda	Alford	28	TN			Margaret	Hughs	28	TN			
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Elizabeth	Alford	3	TN									
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Thos	Bone	14	TN	S		Mary	Alfred	5	TN			
Baily	Bone	12	TN	S					• • •			
Henry	Bone	10	TN	S			Township —			850		
Athelia	Bone	8	TN	S		Page 10	House 139	Family	139			
Abner	Sharon	57	NC		Farmer							
						Sarah	Alfred	42	TN			
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Margaret						Isa	Alfred	2	TN			
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James	Alfred	14	TN					_				
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Page 318						N.J.	Halferd	10	TN			
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Lias E.	Pinkard	33	TN		Farmer							
Sarah	Pinkard	37	TN		T diffici	W.J.	Halferd	6	TN			
James	Pinkard	10	TN			A.W.	Halferd	4	TN			
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Nelson	Alford	54	VA			Wilson	Harris	20	TN			
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Camelia	Hill	37	TN			WILSO	ON COU	NTY				
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O		,				William P.	Channell	M	46	VA		Farmer	1000
James Burns	M	53	VA	Farmer	200	Elizabeth	Channell		35	VA			
Nancy L. Burns		53	VA			Ann	Channell		18	VA			
Cynthia Burns		13	VA			Euphronius	Seeds	M	17	VA	S		
James Burns	F	10	VA			Sarah M.	Channell	F	12	VA			
Mary Alford	F	76	VA			Crittenden	Channell	M	4	VA			
·						Mary	Channell	F	2	VA			
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Isaiah Burns	M	28	VA	Farmer	500	Page 166	House 762		- Famil				
Lucy A. Burns	F	27	VA	W					•				
Mary Burns	F		VA			Wm P.	Powell	M	34	VA		Farmer	1000
Jacob L. Burns	M	7	VA			Lucy.	Powell	F	45	VA			
James Alford	M	24	VA	Constable	800	Robt	Holfert	M	10	VA			
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Henry Wiant	M		VA	W Farmer	1000	John	Alford	M		VA		Farmer	
Margaret Wiant		45	VA			Mary A.	Alford	F	22	VA			
Elizabeth Wiant	F	18	VA	S									
Margaret Wiant	F	15	VA	S		No District		_		_	3 10	1850	
Rebecca Wiant	F	12	VA	S		Page 282	House 121	I	Famil	y 121			
Amanda Wiant	F	5	VA	S		-	.10 1		a =	***		****	
Louisa Wiant	F	3	VA			Robert	Alfred	M		VA		Wheelwr	ıght
Charles Wiant	M	3	VA	***		Jane E.	Alford	F	32	VA			
Mary Halford	F	25	VA	W		Elizabeth	Alford	F	5	VA			
TI A DEPTACE A CO						Robert D.	Alford	M	2	VA			
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William Offord	M		PA	Laborer			.10 -		, -	***	***		
Mary Offord		29	PA			Charles	Alfred		45			Farmer	
Ann Offord	F	8	PA			Agnus	Alfred	F	42	VA	W		
Jeremiah Offord	M	6	PA			Elizabeth	Alfred	F	19	VA			
Nancy Offord	F	4	VA			Francis	Alfred	F	17	VA			
Jemima Offord	F	2	VA			James	Alfred		14	VA	~		
						Charles	Alfred	M		VA			
HENRICO COU	JN'	ΓY				Mary	Alfred	F	10	VA			
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inge 337 House I	ann	ıy				Agnus	Alfred	F		VA			
Robert Alfred	M	27	VA	Mulatto Car	penter								
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Catherine Shires F 35 VA M 3 James Shires VA F Ann E. Shires 1 VA M S McKindry Alford VA Jas Alford M 7 VA S

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Robt Alford M 47 VA Farmer 2000 Mary Alford F 47 VA Manerva Alford F 19 VA Martha Alford F 16 VA Marion S. Alford M 10 VA John Alford M 8 VA

DISTRICT 39 Township — E.D. Aug 2 1850 Page 448 House 256 Family 256

Thomas Alford M 72 VA Farmer 1000 Elizabeth Alford F 57 VA

MORGAN COUNTY

DISTRICT 42 Township — E.D. Sep 12 1850 Page 105 House 237 Family 237

Samuel Offerd M 31 VA W Laborer Offerd F 28 PA W Rebecca

David	Edwards	M	41	VA		Wheelwright
Elizabeth	Edwards	F	30	VA		
William	Edwards	M	8	VA	S	
Alice	Edwards	F	6	VA		
Elizabeth	Edwards	F	3	VA		
Lucy	Scott	F	28	VA		
Francis M.	Alfred	M	22	VA		Student Law

PRESTON COUNTY

45TH DISTRICT Township — E.D. Sep 20 1850 Page 424 House 947 Family 947

Elijah E.	Olferd	M	42	MA		Farmer	6000
Lydia G.	Olferd	F	40	MA			
Isabella M.	Olferd	F	18	OH			
Emaline	Olferd	F	16	OH			
Henry C.	Olferd	M	14	OH	S		
Almira I.(J?)	Olferd	F	10	OH	S		
Martha M.	Olferd	F	-	OH	S		
Elizabeth L.	Olferd	F	3	VA			
Senaca A.	Olferd	M	1	VA			

PUTNAM COUNTY

DISTRICT 46 Township — E.D. Jul 27 1850 Page 308 House 577 Family 596

Susan	Sawyers	F	29	VA
Joshua	Sawyers	M		VA
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Laborer William Alfred M 29 VA

46TH DISTRICT Township — E.D. Aug 3 1850 Page 318 House 714 Family 714 William Afred M 30 VA Farmer 400 F 30 Sarah VA Afred Mary Afred F 7 VA John Afred M 5 VA Thomas Afred M 2 VA Andrew G. Nichols M 28 VA Laborer

RUSSELL COUNTY

DISTRICT 54 Township — E.D. Nov 19 1850 Page 331 House 1560 Family 1560

Burnet	Bowman	M	66	VA	W Farmer	
Born Rock	ingham					
Elisabeth	Bowman	F	39	TN	W	
Matilda	Alford	F	13	TN	Mulatto	
Barnet	Alford	M	11	TN		
Nancy	Alford	F	9	TN		
Elisabeth	Alford	F	5	TN		
Mary J.	Alford	F	2	VA		
Born Russell County, VA						

SHENANDOAH COUNTY

DISTRICT 58 Township — E.D. Aug 9 1850 Page 45 House 635 Family 639

Francis Alford F 80 VA

WASHINGTON COUNTY

DISTRICT 67 Township — E.D. Aug 3 1850 Page 83 House 237 Family 237

Humberson	Miller	M	39	VA	Farmer	8000
Catherine	Miller	F	27	VA	S	
Joseph	Miller	M	8	VA		
Felix	Miller	M	6	VA		
Wm	Alfred	M	18	VA	W Laborer	
Henry	McGloc	lin	M	22	VA	

WYTHE COUNTY

DISTRICT 68 Township — E.D. Aug 17 1850 Page 285 House 846 Family 846

Thomas K.	Alford	M	28	VA		Laborer
Delila	Alford	F	31	VA	W	
Mary	Alford	F	10	VA	S	
Margarit	Alford	F	6	VA	S	
Lucianna	Alford	F	4	VA		
Susan	Alford	F	2	VA		

DISTRICT 68 Township — E.D. Sep 4 1850 Page 308 House 1164 Family 1164

John	Alford	F	50	VA		Farmer
Elizabeth	Alford	F	48	VA	W	
Thomas	Alford	M	25	VA		Laborer
Isaac	Alford	M	22	VA	S	Laborer
Elizabeth	Alford	F	20	VA		
James	Alford	M	17	VA	S	Farmer
Joseph	Alford	M	15	VA	S	Farmer
Nancy	Alford	F	12	VA		
Margaret	Alford	F	9	VA		
John	Alford	M	5	VA		

(Zollie and Lala Alford, cont. from p. 50)

Wisps of gray, sweaty hair fall about her face and neck as she scrapes the red skins from the potatoes and drops them into a pot of water. Usually her hair is combed to the back and tightly wrapped and pinned around what she calls a rat. Ma drinks half of her Coke, then asks me to put the rest in the refrigerator so that she can save it until later.

Back at the barn, we work hard and fast so that we can have a full barn of tobacco by noon. During the morning as the dew dries, the tobacco leaves become gummy, leaving a black stain on my hands, especially on and under my fingernails. As I go to the house to clean up, Ma meets me at the screen door with an old towel and a bar of lye soap. I know all this mess will have to go before I can sit at Ma's table.

For lunch we have fried chicken, buttered potatoes, corn-onthe-cob, butter beans, fried okra, sliced tomatoes, cornbread, iced tea, and apple pie. All this good food is payment enough for my morning's work, but Pa insists on paying me fifty cents an hour for my labor.

Once the dishes are done and our hands are properly conditioned with Jergens, Ma and I take a nap. Pa still has farm chores to do. Ma lies across her bed, but for me she fixes a special resting place. She folds an old quilt made by her mother, Grandma Batchelor, and puts it on the floor in front of the fan. She knows I love that resting place.

As I study the bright colors, patterns, and textures of the squares, I remember the many times I have been included in their quilting circle because I could make tiny, straight stitches. I fall asleep tracing the pieces with my fingertips.

When I awake, Ma is sweeping the kitchen floor. Pa sits at the table sipping iced tea, waiting for me to wake up so that he can take me home. I gather my things, kiss Ma goodbye, and get in the old pickup with Pa. I leave that place a rich kid as I have three dollars in my pocket and a heart full of priceless memories to be cherished forever.

Some Texas Cemeteries

Quotations appearing on the gravestones that do not have genealogical value are not included here. Children of women whose maiden name was Alford are listed when found

BURNET COUNTY

CAUBLE CEMETERY

Source: BURNET COUNTY CEMETERY RECORDS 1852-1982. N.p.: Burnet County Historical Commission, 1988.

Description: Sometimes referred to as "Sunny Lane." Approximately 3.6 miles northeast of Lake Victor, along Burnet County Road 206. (The cemetery is located .4 mile south of Burnet County road 206. signs are posted on 206 at the point of the dirt road to the cemetery. Approaching from the east, at the intersection of Burnet County Roads 207 and 206, travel west on 206 for 1.3 miles to the dirt road to the cemetery. Oldest grave: 1873. Cemetery was still in use in 1988.

Ethel Alford "(possibly)"	unmarked		p. 43	daughter of H.S.
"Grandma" Alford	unmarked		p. 43	
"(possibly)"				
Maud S. Alford	14 Nov 1889	23 Nov 1927	p. 45	wife of John C. Long; daughter of H.S. Alford
Infant	1927	1927	p. 45	child of "John and Maud"

WOLF CROSSING CEMETERY

Source: BURNET COUNTY CEMETERY RECORDS 1852-1982. N.p.: Burnet County Historical Commission, 1988.

Description: About 10 miles west of Marble Falls or about 4 miles east of Kingsland. on the north side of Highway 1431. Oldest grave: 1881 (John Hull Hallford). Cemetery was still in use in 1988.

E.M. Hallford	21 Jun 1851	21 Mar 1885	p. 132
J.N. Hallford	24 Nov 1846	4 Feb 1890	p. 132
John Hull Hallford	5 May 1816	20 Sep 1881	p. 132

CHAMBERS COUNTY

COLORED CEMETERY

Source (transcribed by Lucille Mehrkam): Chambers Co. Cemeteries

Description: Half mile north of Tilton.

Lincoln J. Alford, Sr. 6 Nov 1900 16 July 1969

GREGG COUNTY

??? CEMETERY

Source (transcribed by Lucille Mehrkam): Gregg Co., Tx Cemeteries, Vol. III (1986).

Kate Elizabeth Alford 1887 1976

GRACE HILL CEMETERY

Source (transcribed by Lucille Mehrkam): Gregg Co., Tx Cemeteries, Vol. IV (1986).

Linus Eugene Alford 1926 1942 Dewitt Glenn Alford 1902 1939

Nakeshia Alford 30 Dec 1882 14 Jan 1983 "(Citizen Funeral Marker)"

KILGORE CITY CEMETERY

Source (transcribed by Lucille Mehrkam): Gregg Co., Tx Cemeteries, Vol. III (1986).

 Hunter Alford
 13 Jan 1906
 28 Aug 1976
 "Pfc, US Army, WWI"

 William C. Alford
 3 Nov 1884
 14 Nov 1963
 "papa"

 Mavis B. Alford
 8 May 1882
 13 Mar 1968
 "mama"

HAMILTON COUNTY

HICO CEMETERY

Source: Witty, Mrs. Brent, comp. HAMILTON COUNTY, TEXAS CEMETERY RECORDS. No other publication data.

Description: Not copied

no birth date	21 Mar 1964	p. 136	
18 May 1832	5 Jul 1897	p. 141	
1845	1961	p. 141	
2 Mar 1868	15 Oct 1894	p. 141	Son of R.L. & M.J. Alford
26 Dec 1874	25 Jan 1928	p. 141	
18 Jan 1834	1 Apr 1928	p. 142	Rices Co., Texas Rangers C.S.A.
7 Sep 1859	25 Apr 1940	p. 142	Wife of Dr. John R. Alford
4 Nov 1880	15 Feb 1960	p. 142	
5 May 1862	22 Jan 1895	p. 142	
27 Jul 1878	2 Oct 1961	p. 142	
11 Oct 1879	10 Apr 1952	p. 142	
14 May 1885	10 Nov 1918	p. 142	
24 Jan 1860	Jan 1942	p. 165	[No day of death]
1 Mar 1866	13 Jul 1961	p. 165	
10 Sep 1907	4 Oct 1956	p. 165	
3 Nov 1898	3 Nov 1898	p. 165	
24 Jan 1891	2 Feb 1893	p. 165	
1887	1960	p. 181	Wife of John Alford
	18 May 1832 1845 2 Mar 1868 26 Dec 1874 18 Jan 1834 7 Sep 1859 4 Nov 1880 5 May 1862 27 Jul 1878 11 Oct 1879 14 May 1885 24 Jan 1860 1 Mar 1866 10 Sep 1907 3 Nov 1898 24 Jan 1891	18 May 1832 5 Jul 1897 1845 1961 2 Mar 1868 15 Oct 1894 26 Dec 1874 25 Jan 1928 18 Jan 1834 1 Apr 1928 7 Sep 1859 25 Apr 1940 4 Nov 1880 15 Feb 1960 5 May 1862 22 Jan 1895 27 Jul 1878 2 Oct 1961 11 Oct 1879 10 Apr 1952 14 May 1885 10 Nov 1918 24 Jan 1860 Jan 1942 1 Mar 1866 13 Jul 1961 10 Sep 1907 4 Oct 1956 3 Nov 1898 3 Nov 1898 24 Jan 1891 2 Feb 1893	18 May 1832 5 Jul 1897 p. 141 1845 1961 p. 141 2 Mar 1868 15 Oct 1894 p. 141 26 Dec 1874 25 Jan 1928 p. 141 18 Jan 1834 1 Apr 1928 p. 142 7 Sep 1859 25 Apr 1940 p. 142 4 Nov 1880 15 Feb 1960 p. 142 5 May 1862 22 Jan 1895 p. 142 27 Jul 1878 2 Oct 1961 p. 142 11 Oct 1879 10 Apr 1952 p. 142 14 May 1885 10 Nov 1918 p. 142 24 Jan 1860 Jan 1942 p. 165 1 Mar 1866 13 Jul 1961 p. 165 10 Sep 1907 4 Oct 1956 p. 165 3 Nov 1898 3 Nov 1898 p. 165 24 Jan 1891 2 Feb 1893 p. 165

HOUSTON COUNTY

BOGGS CEMETERY

[Originally printed in Sept 89 & June 89 issues, except Annie Alford Christian—missed.]

Source: Houston County Historical Commission, comp. *HOUSTON COUNTY, TEXAS CEMETERIES* (3rd Edition). Crockett, TX: By the compilers, no date, Title Page Note: "Including Surveys of 1977 and 1978, corrected and updated, plus identifications of graves, 44 new burial grounds surveyed, Map of Cemeteries in Houston County, Cemetery Associations & Officers, alphabetical listing of cemeteries and veterans plus total listing of all names indexed."

LISTING NOTE: All names in this book are grouped by last name within each cemetery. Hence, it cannot be said with

certainty that the names grouped together are located near each other in the cemetery. In addition, married women's maiden names do not appear to be indexed.

Description: Located about 3 miles SW of Austonio off farm road 1280. The land for the cemetery was given to the community for a cemetery, school and church sometime before 1835 by a Mr. Bobby Boggs. He was married to Susan Cheairs and many of the Cheairs still live inthe community. Later the school and church was moved to another location about 2 miles from the cemetery and the new community became known as the Ash community.

Ethel Alford 4 Jan 1921 24 Jan 1932 p. 94 Frank Alford 17 Feb 1898 27 Aug 1980 p. 94

Infant Alford 1933 p. 94 Son of F.M.

Annie Alford Christian no birth date 1869 p. 95 Wife of Al Christian

LLANO COUNTY

BLUFFTON CEMETERY

Source: BURNET COUNTY CEMETERY RECORDS 1852-1982. N.p.: Burnet County Historical Commission, 1988.

Description: Follow SH 29 to intersection with FM 261. Follow 261 approximately 11.5 miles to cemetery. Oldest grave: 1867. Cemetery was still in use in 1988.

Raye Hallford 7 June 1913 21 Oct 1968 p. 134 Wayne Hallford 31 July 1893 24 Dec 1970 p. 134

MARION COUNTY

PYLAN CEMETERY

Source (transcribed by Lucille Mehrkam): Unknown

A.S. Alford 7 July 1821 12 June 1900 Note added: "Artimus, b. Ga."

 Homer Alford
 24 Oct 1899
 2 Sept 1900

 James Ray Alford
 26 Feb 1882
 3 Dec 1900

(Obituaries, cont. from p. 49)

ters, Jane East, Reba Arellano and Kay Dominguez, and a son, Mike Sheridan, all of Itasca; four sisters, Ann Brewer, Arlington, Texas, Virginia Aubuchon, Marble Hill, Mo., and Jackie Cochran and Lorene Casey of Kansas City; 11 grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

ZELDA MARIE ALFORD ROGERS RIDGWAY

Half-Sister of Kathleen Janelle Alford Hering, AAFA #882 TYLER MORNING TELEGRAPH Tyler, TX—Friday, 15 Jan 1999

Graveside services for Zelda Alford Rogers Ridgway, 90, Tyler, are scheduled for 2 p.m. Friday at Fairview Cemetery, Gainesville ... under direction of Geo. J. Carroll & Son Funeral Home, Gainesville.

Mrs. Ridgway died Jan. 13 in Houston

She was born Dec. 4, 1908, in Center to the late Mr. and Mrs. Ben Alford. She was a former resident of Gainesville and had recently moved to Tyler. She was preceded in death by husbands, Yandel Rogers in 1958 and Louis L. Ridgeway in 1976.

Survivors include sons, Yandell Rogers, Jr., Houston, Steve Rogers, Dallas; Bill Rogers, Lafayette, La; stepson, Louie Ridgway, Dallas; stepdaughter, Tess Ridgway, Phoeniz, Ariz.; sister, Wynonia Lines, Tyler and Inez Harper, Center; and 6 grandchildren.

AAFA NOTES: Zelda Marie Alford was the daughter of Benjamin Meador Alford and his first wife Addie Bell Cannon. They are descendants of Baldy Alford, son of Isham Alford. ❖

Texas Courthouse Circuit—A Spring Break Trip

By Lynn D. Shelley, AAFA #484

aving less than a full week of vacation and no prior plans, my husband was persuaded that we should revisit Fort Worth, TX, where we had lived from 1976 to 1981. While in this area, I could visit courthouses and collect "Alford" marriage data. Combining research with other pursuits seems to be my way of life since joining AAFA.

We spent only four days on the road to and from our home in Springfield, MO, but in that time we visited five courthouses. Each was different and unique in several ways, both in outside appearance and in the way records were kept and indexed. Actual courthouse records are a goldmine of information for the genealogist, but courthouse employees are not always especially helpful or happy to see researchers visit their facility. Most marriage records are considered public information so no privacy is involved. This is not always the case with birth and death information.

There are many kinds of courthouse records available and they differ from one county to another and from one state to another. One also has to be aware of the history of the county and its formation—were there fires or other disasters that destroyed records during certain time periods, where would one find records for persons living in that same area before the county was formed, etc.? One also has to be aware of what different kinds of records are available and what they can add to the complete story of our ancestors. Not all of these records are indexed, but taking the time to look through records produced during a timeframe when we know our ancestor was present in that county can prove to be very beneficial.

Tarrant County

The first courthouse we visited was that in Fort Worth—the Tarrant County Courthouse, a beautiful Renaissance-Revival building constructed in 1895. I knew that there had been a fire in 1876 and marriage and probate records prior to that time did not exist. This was the most wealthy county we visited and it was obvious in the number of computers, number of personnel and the upkeep of the building and surrounding area. This was also the only one with an armed guard and an entrance arrangement like that at an airport where your person as well as all items being carried in are examined closely. There also was no listing of where marriage records could be found but the guard said they were down in the basement. Usually they are found in the office of the county clerk, although that may not always be the case. When I went in the Deed Office to ask where marriage records were located, I found that they were there. There was a marriage index on microfilm and I was given the film that I had requested (1876-1944 with names in alphabetical order) and was directed to a microfilm reader at which I proceeded to copy all the ALFORD/ ALVORD and HALFORD/ HALLFORD names from the index. Male and female indexes were on the same pages with males on the left and females on the right (maiden names of females, of course). It was soon evident that only the year of the license/marriage was given and one needed to get the actual month and day from the marriage book itself (volume and page being given in the index). The problem was that all of these early marriage books were "at the warehouse," and not available to look up the records. I didn't want to request too many so filled out forms for about 10 and left a self-addressed envelope for

the records to be sent to me. All of this was free which was a surprise since the cost of records available there at the courthouse was \$1 per page. I received my requested records back in Springfield three days after making the request. This was one of the more successful visits in that it yielded a great number of marriages even though I was not able to get the exact marriage dates for all of them.

[Editor's note: If you're an AAFA member from the Fort Worth area would like to help us get the records for the remaining marriages that Lynn copied, we'd appreciate it—please contact Lynn.]

While in Fort Worth and since it was only a couple of blocks away, we also visited the Tarrant County Public Library for a couple of hours to check out published Texas marriage records that might be found there. Though published records are more limited and usually only the very early ones, books are usually well indexed or in alphabetical order in the first place and making photocopies is a lot faster than copying by hand which is what I did at the courthouses.

McLennan County

We drove to Waco, the McLennan County seat, that afternoon and the next day visited that courthouse, a beautiful structure supposedly inspired by St. Peter's in Rome and built in 1901. There was no guard and in fact there were three different buildings in which courthouse business was conducted and records were kept. We went first to the Records Building, where there was a clearly marked location for marriage records given at the building entrance. Marriage indexes were separate for the sexes so I had to look in four different indexes to

find what was on one reel of microfilm in Tarrant County—alphabetical listings in the books was "A-G" and "H-L", one of each for males and females. Although an actual date with month and day as well as year was given, this was the date of the marriage license and not the date of the actual marriage. Not having enough time to look up each one, I had to be satisfied with the date of the license. The volume and page number for each marriage was given and if one went to that volume and page, one would find the date of the license, the date of the marriage and the official performing the ceremony, as well as the date the marriage was recorded at the courthouse. Because of time constraints, only if there was a question as to the spelling of a name or another question, did I actually look up the marriage data. This was my most successful visit in that it yielded the most "Alford" marriages. That afternoon we visited the Texas Ranger Museum in Waco and I was surprised to see a gun that Burt Alvord had used in his outlaw days on display with those of other desperados.

[Editor's note: Here's another opportunity to help if you live in the Waco area! We'd like to get the actual dates of the marriages that Lynn didn't have time to get.]

Henderson County

We had planned to spend the night in Corsicana, TX, which is the county seat of Navarro County, but later we decided to drive on to Athens, the Henderson County seat. We had stayed in Athens 26 years ago on one of our trips between San Antonio (where we lived then) and north Louisiana. We stayed at the same motel. The next day was our most productive as far as courthouse visits went (three in one day). First we visited the Henderson County courthouse, a 1913 Classical Revival style structure with columns across the front. We had passed this

builling that takes up all of the town square each time we made this trip years ago. Marriage records here were kept similarly to those in McLennan County: indexes for male and female were separate and marriage books/ volumes had the actual records. However, the date listed in this index was the actual marriage date, which eliminated the necessity of having to look up each one individually. There were two indexes for the years 1850-1950 and the more recent marriages were in a separate computer-produced index. It probably took only a half hour or less to copy all the "Alford" marriages. The space available for using the books was quite limited and when another couple who wanted to look at marriage records came in, we could hardly find enough space to open the volumes.

Navarro County

We then returned to Corsicana and Navarro County, where I got my first experience with finding courthouse records "way down in the basement at the back of beyond." I had previously been told not to wear your good clothes (old books being dusty and moldy) and that sometimes you were just taken to a room with boxes or shelves of books and papers and told to have at it. There was a winding, narrow staircase that took you downstairs—the marriage records were way at the back. Although there was enough room, there was nowhere to sit. There was no marriage index as such. Most of the earlier marriage books had an index in the front with only the names and the page number and then you had to look up the actual page to get the date. Later volumes (after 1915 or so) did not even have an index. I had a very disturbing experience when another researcher came in, opened several of the volumes, took out pages and went upstairs to copy them. I suppose this is what many researchers and courthouse employees do to get a COPY of the marriage record, but what if they don't put it back in the right place or what if they don't put it back at all?? There is no supervision or anyone to prevent one from taking the original page and I am sure if a page is missing, there is no way to find out the information it contained unless the volumes have been published. This was obviously the least well-off county we visited, and the records had the least amount of care. This was not at all obvious from the exterior of the building—an impressive 1905 brick and marble structure that dominated what used to be square in the center of town. Lack of funds was evident on the interior, but then it is very hard to keep old buildings in top shape when they are used constantly. Also Corsicana was founded as an oil boomtown and was the site of the first commercial oil well west of the Mississippi, but today the town's major claim to fame is that it is the home of the Collin Street Bakery, famous for its fruitcakes.

Ellis County

This was supposed to have been the last courthouse visit of the trip but due to limited space in Athens, my husband sat in the car while I was copying marriages. Since we would be going through Ellis County (and Waxahachie) on our way home, he thought we should visit that courthouse since he saw a write-up that said Waxahachie was the place where many movies had been filmed because of its wonderful 19th-century ambience and that the 1895 red sandstone and granite courthouse was unique. He was especially interested in the story of the three stonemasons brought over from Europe to work on the building during its construction. Evidently one of them fell in love with the boardinghouse proprietor's daughter and her face is found repeatedly in the stonework friezes among the gargoyles. Unfortunately this was not very obvious to us, because upon arrival, we discovered that the courthouse was undergoing restoration and was completely

encased in scaffolding. It turned out that the marriage records were across the street in a Records Building.

On the way home, we passed the Bowie County courthouse in New Boston, but could not stop because we were already going to be getting home after midnight and it was 4:45 and the courthouses usually close at 5 p.m. Oh, well, I'll hit that one on another trip. At least we got some good Tex-Mex, the bluebonnets and Indian paintbrush were blooming, and success can be measured in the number of additional marriages to add to the TX list—about 225 in all. Not bad for three days work!

If you live in or near a county seat, consider taking the time to go to the courthouse and look for "Alford" records for AAFA. A little time invested by one person can be very beneficial to many. The one requirement for a trip such as mine is a patient, understanding, and *very loving* husband who is willing to spend HIS vacation making his wife happy. (Jim insisted that I add this!)

—Courthouse details from THE COURTHOUSES OF TEXAS, A Guide by Mavis P. Kelsey, Sr., and Donald H. Dyal. College Station, TX: Texas A & M University Press, 1993. ❖

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(President's Piece, cont. from p. 1)

was sent to Pam via e-mail. AAFA also has a monthly e-mail newsletter that goes to all members, active and inactive, who are online (if we have their e-mail address). If you are online and are not getting the newsletter, send me a message with your e-mail address. We also have a active Alford List and there is an Alford forum where members and non-members can post queries. You can learn more about those in the online newsletter or on the Web site.

WHAT'S NOT IN THIS ISSUE: One of the big items not in this issue that we had hoped to include is a list of Texas marriages. Our problem is there are more Texas Alfords and we have more Texas records than we have pages in the quarterly. We also have a list of Texas Alford births or delaye births as well as some Texas deaths with certificate numbers. Don't be concerned over the lack of "Texas data" in these issues before TX99 because we plan to put together a Texas Alford book which will be available for folks at the meeting or by mail.

1850 CENSUS DATA: One of the important things in this issue is more 1850 census data. Our census team is doing a fantastic job, and believe it or not they can see the end of the "1850 tunnel." In this issue there are three states that have been important to our Alford history.

AAFA MEMBER RELATIONS: This is an area that is becoming more and more difficult. When AAFA was smaller we could keep in touch, and several of us "knew" most of the members. With 1079 members and still growing it is difficult just to keep up with the pertinent data on each member. We have two areas or offices that are especially interested, and you can help if you work with them as applicable. Recently we have had

many problems with the delivery of the quarterly. Sometimes it's our fault, sometimes it's the member's fault, and sometimes we blame it on the post office. Please advise the Secretary (see page 2) immediately of any change in address, and of course pay your dues promptly to the Treasurer (also see page 2).

Our Human Resources Committee, chaired by Lodwick H. Alford, is charged with looking out for members. When we learn that a member is ill or deceased, that committee sends appropriate cards to the member or the family, but someone needs to advise them of the death or illness. We would like to be informed about births and marriages also. Members who would like to become more involved with the association should contact Wick (e mail LAlford@compuserve.com or POB 30742, Sea Island, GA 31561-0742). Likewise if you are one of the AAFA leaders and you need a helper, Wick is the person you should contact. This committee is also responsible for the AAFA Memorial Album. For every deceased member, regardless of when they may have died, we need for the album: copy of the obituary, photographs, copies of eulogies, comments from friends and relatives, biographical sketches, etc. The following is an announcement I intended to get in the last issue:

Carolyn Alford Chambliss, AAFA #0965, will be the custodian of the AAFA Memorial Album. Most of you will remember that this is the book about our deceased AAFA members who are not dropped and forgotten when they die. Those who attend the annual meetings will be able to view the Album (which will probably soon be a set of books). Carolyn is going to need your help collecting photographs, obituaries, news clippings, eulogies, etc. about our deceased members. If you have close kin who are deceased AAFA

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Texas Biographies

BENJAMIN FRANKLIN ALFORD

Source: What appears to be a San Patricio Co., TX, county history. Benjamin is descended from Needham Alford 1789 NC.

The family of Benjamin Franklin Alford arrived in Ingleside in August, 1929 from Rising Star. Mrs. Alford (Vera Bowden) was born and reared in Brown Co. There were two children, Benjamin Franklin, Jr., 9, and Wanda Rae, 6.

Alford had been contacted by J.R. Barry, owner of Aransas Pass-Rockport Light & Power Co., to come to Ingleside and supervise the building of an ice plant and power plant in Ingleside and to be its operator. The family rented a small house on Ave. C (behind the Working Man's Hotel) and lived there until a larger house was completed on Fourth St. at the place where Knippa's Storage Barns are now located. Both houses were owned by Mrs. Frank Phelps (Mrs. Phelps was the daughter of Rufus J. Williams, early pioneer and land owner in area). At that time there was no natural gas serving the area on the outskirts of town and wood burning stoves were used to heat the new house on Fourth St. throughout a severe cold winter of 1929-30. At one time, water pipes froze and many people came to the Ray Ives home just west of Ave. B (where the government housing development is now located) to get water from Mr. Ives' well which had its pump protected in a small building shielding it from the freezing weather.

Frank, Jr. enrolled in the third grade. After Supt. O.T. Blaschke announced that for the first time six-year-olds would be allowed to enter school, Wanda Rae entered first grade. The overflow caused the hiring of a new first grade teacher that year.

Alford operated the ice and power plant for Mr. Barry until he sold to CP&L and then he remained with the company, later transferring to Southern Texas Ice and Service when CP&L sold its ice plants to Southern in the 1960's.

The Alfords united with the Methodist Church immediately after moving to Ingleside and both children joined the church in their childhood. Alford served on the board of stewards for many years, was on the school board as president and secretary for years, was a charter member of the Rotary Club and remained, a member until he was transferred to Victoria in 1957. They moved back to Ingleside in 1960 to their home on West 12th St. He died in 1981. Mrs. Alford was active in Methodist WMS and other church activities, PTA, helped organize and was charter member of Ingleside Woman's Club, and is still an active member of the church board. She still lives in the home on W. 12th St.

Frank, Jr. graduated from Ingleside in 1938, attended Daniel Baker and A&M until he enlisted in Air Force Dec. 8, 1941. He worked for Humble awaiting his call into service. He served as a B 17 bomber pilot in 8th Air Force, flying missions over Germany from England. After his discharge, he returned to A&M, accompanied by his wife and son, and received a degree in aeronautical engineering. He went to work in air research and development at Wright Patterson AFB and when the Korean War broke out his unit was absorbed into the Air Force. He continued in research and development until he retired as a colonel in 1976.

Wanda Rae graduated from Ingleside in 1940 and received a degree in

education from Daniel Baker in 1943. She married John Casall of Brooklyn, N.Y., and they had one son, John Casall, Jr. Wanda Rae taught school in Bishop and Aransas Pass and then Ingleside where she taught until she retired in 1977. She continues to be active in the Methodist Church and in community affairs, serving on various city commissions. —Wanda Casall

BENJAMIN M. ALFORD

Source: A HISTORY OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA AND BIOGRAPHICAL RECORD OF THE SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY [CA], by Professor J.M. Quinn, 1902. Benjamin M. Alford was born in TN, lived in TX for a while (married there) and then went to CA. He was a brother of Edmond Lafayette Alford, whose biography appears later in this article.

BENJAMIN M. ALFORD, M.D. The Alford family is of English extraction and the first representative in America became a planter in North Carolina. A son of this immigrant, Wylie Alford, was born and reared on a southern plantation and at an early age settled near Nashville, TN, where he enjoyed the prosperity attending southern planters in the days before the Civil War. At the time of his death he was sixty-two years of age. During early manhood he married Sophia Drake, like himself a native of North Carolina. She was the daughter of a farmer who served in the Revolution and traced her lineage direct to Sir Francis Drake. When eighty-six years of age, she passed away on the Tennessee plantation.

Among the eleven children of Wylie and Sophia Alford, the youngest was Benjamin M., a native of Tennessee, born fifteen miles from East Nashville, December 13, 1833, and reared on the

plantation, with the best educational advantages private schools could bestow. While still a mere lad he developed a liking for the medical profession and selected the same for his life work. Pursuant upon that ambition, he took the entire course of lectures in the Nashville Medical College, from which in 1856 he received the degree of M.D. Immediately after graduating he opened an office at Boston, Bowie County, TX, where he built up a practice extending through all of the surrounding county. When the Civil War began, it was natural that his southern training and sympathies should assert themselves. Fired with loyalty to the old southland, he at once offered his services as a surgeon in the First Mounted Battalion of Texas Troops. However, the battalion being already overcrowded, the regiment was made the Thirtysecond Texas Infantry, and he was commisssioned surgeon, with the rank of major. The record of his army service is a record of hard marches, privations enumerable and hunger that at times verged on starvation. The effect of constant hardships and exposure wrecked his health and threatened life itself, but with the devotion characteristic of those who loved the lost cause, personal suffering ws sunk beneath the claims of the Confederacy.

In all of the engagements of his regiment, Dr. Alford bore a part. After crossing the Mississippi with General Price he took part in the battle of Corinth, and then accompanied Gen. E. Kirby Smith into Kentucky, serving under him until after the battle of Perryville. Later he was present at Murfreesboro and Chickamauga, and then followed Gen. Joseph E. Johnston into the Georgia campaign, participating in the battles that marked the retreat to Atlanta, after which he served at Nashville, TN, for a time, then was transferred to Mobile, AL, and remained until the campaign ended. When the war came to a close,

he returned to Texas, with health shattered and property gone. All that was left to him were his ex-slaves, who, remembering his goodness to them and reluctant to take up the task of earning a livelihood without his aid, refused to leave him; but, as he was no longer able to support them, he found homes for all as soon as possible and assisted them to get a start in the world.

During 1868 Dr. Alford came to California via Panama. Having heard much concerning the climate of the Pacific coast, he was desirous of coming hither in the hope that his health might be benefited by the change. For five years he remained with his father-in-law, W.B. Poer, who owned the McFarland toll road in the mountains. The pure mountain air proved the tonic most needed and, with health renewed, he returned to Texas in 1873 and opened an office at Fort Worth. However, like the majority who have once come under the fascinating spell of California's charms, he felt dissatisfied elsewhere, and in 1875 returned to the coast, settling at Portersville, Tulare County, where he engaged in the practice of medicine. Since June of 1881 he has engaged in practice at Tulare, where he is now the oldest physician in point of years of practice. Since coming here he has acquired alfalfa lands, which he rents and also owns a building on the corner of Tulare and K Streets. Twice since buying this corner he has been burned out, but the present building is a fireproof structure, so he has no further fear of disaster.

While living at Boston, TX, Dr. Alford married Miss Josephine Poer, a native of Texas and a daughter of W.B. Poer, who served in the war for the independence of Texas, also in the Mexican War, later becoming a pioneer of 1849 in California, and eventually dying at Tulare. The family of Dr. and Mrs. Alford comprises two sons and two daughters, vis: William H., an attorney

of San Francisco, now serving as adjuster of the state taxes on the board of equalization; Forest L., who practices law at Bakersfield; Josephine, the widow of W.D. Haslam, and a resident of San Francisco; and Daisy, Mrs. Hetherington of Columbia, MO. Throughout all of his active life, Dr. Alford has been a staunch Democrat and has never failed to cast a vote for the candidates of his party. Along the line of his profession he has been an interested worker in the San Joaquin Valley Medical Society and the Tulare County Medical Society, and has officiated as president of the latter organization. The Independent Order of Odd Fellows numbers him among their members and he is also identified with Masonry, having been made a Mason while at Boston, TX and later becoming a charter member of Olive Branch Lodge, F. & A. M. at Tulare, in which he is now an influential member.

EDMOND LAFAYETTE ALFORD

Source: HISTORY OF TEXAS TO-GETHER WITH BIOGRAPHICAL HISTORY OF TARRANT AND PARKER COUNTIES, 1895, pp. 281-283. Edmond is the brother of Benjamin M. Alford, whose biography appears in this article.

Ed. L. Alford [Edmond Lafayette], who resides on a farm near Fort Worth, Texas, is one of the representative citizens of Tarrant County, and it is appropriate that personal mention be made of him in this work. A brief sketch of his life is as follows:

Ed. L. Alford was born in Wilson County, Tennessee, September 26, 1830. His youthful days were spent on his father's farm in his native state, and in 1853 he came to Texas, locating in Bowie County. There he secured employment as clerk in a store, and was thus occupied when the war broke out. He entered the Confederate

service in 1861 as a member of Crump's Battalion. This command was subsequently reorganized and became a part of Andrew's regiment of cavalry. Later they were dismounted and sent to Corinth, in which battle they participated; remained in the Army of Tennessee, and was in all the engagements under Joseph E. Johnston. Mr. Alford continued in the service until the close of the war, being in Mississippi at the time of the surrender, and from there returning home. In all his service he was fortunate enough to escape being captured or wounded.

Returning to Texarkana, Bowie County, he resumed his old place as clerk in the store of Mr. Moore, and remained there one year. At the end of that time he came to Fort Worth, where he clerked for three years, and after that served three years as Constable of the town. In the meantime he bought a farm, 119 acres, to which he afterward moved and turned his attention to its improvement and cultivation. A house had been built on the place, but no other improvements had been made. He fenced the whole tract and put eighty acres of it under cultivation, and continued to reside on this place until 1893, when he removed to his present farm. He now owns 200 acres, a small portion of which is under cultivation, the rest being used for stock purposes. He has of recent years given special attention to the raising of mules and jacks, at this writing having seven of the latter. He also has a fine stallion, Steel Dust and Leviathan, as fine a horse as Kentucky ever produced. And he is raising cattle and hogs, too.

Mr. Alford is a son of Wylie and Sophia (Drake) Alford, natives of North Carolina. The Alfords are of Scotch-Irish descent. Wylie Alford served as Magistrate for many years. He was by occupation a farmer and stock-raiser, making a specialty of fine horses. He raised one colt which he sold for \$350 and which afterward

brought \$40,000! Mr. Wylie Alford died in Tennessee in 1857. The Drakes are of English origin and are descended from Sir Francis Drake. Grandfather Drake served in the Revolution. The family of which our subject is a member consisted of eleven members, namely: Britton D., Lony, Ruth, Matilda, James P., Adaline, N.B., Sophia V., Ed. L., Dr. B.M., and Polly, only five of whom are living. The mother died about 1874.

E.L. Alford was married in 1860 to Miss Francesca Bellatti, who was born in England, February 5, 1835, daughter of Charles Bellatti, an Italian. The Bellatti family came to America in 1850 and located near Jacksonville, Illinois, where the father engaged in farming, and where he died October, 14, 1888, at the age of eighty years. He was a carver and gilder by trade which occupation he followed while in England. He had a family of sixteen children, Mrs. Alford being the fourth born and the only one who came to Texas. Mr. and Mrs. Alford have six children, viz.: May, wife of George Grant, a farmer of this county; Charley and Clarence M., both engaged in farming in Tarrant County; and Fanny P., Annie A., and Alta J., at home. Mrs. Alford is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Politically, Mr. Alford is in harmony with the Democratic party, and takes an active interest in public affairs, attending most of the conventions of his party, but has never aspired to office. He is a member of the Masonic fraternity.

[Edmond Lafayette Alford died Nov. 10, 1900, and his wife died in 1936. Both are buried at Pioneer Rest Cemetery, Tarrant County, TX.]

ROBERT W. ALFORD

Source: *HISTORY OF TEXAS: FORT WORTH AND THE TEXAS NORTH-WEST*, by B.B. Paddock, Vol. III,

1922, page 346. Robert is the nephew of Edmond Lafayette Alford, whose biography appears in this article.

Among the active business men of Fort Worth, Robert W. Alford is one of the few who were born in Fort Worth when it was a frontier country town without a railroad within a hundred miles. His father was one of the old and prominent settlers of Fort Worth and northern Texas, and Mr. Alford himself grew up in the city and for many years has been identified with the industry of ice manufacture.

Mr. Alford, who is president of the Alford Ice Company, Incorporated, was born September 14, 1871, a son of James P. and Minerva (Maulding) Alford. His father was born either in Tennessee or Georgia and his mother was a native of Tennessee. James P. Alford settled in Fort Worth a few years after the military post was established there. He was a surveyor by profession and ran some of the pioneer land lines in northern Texas, and was also a dealer in lands. While at Fort Worth he was elected a member of the Legislature, and he journeyed to Austin on horseback in the absence of any other means of communicating with the capital. He lived to the age of eighty-four. He was a very devoted Christian, active in the Methodist Episcopal Church and one of its early members at Fort Worth. The mother lived to the age of seventy-nine. Their family consisted of six daughters and four sons, nine of whom reached mature years and six of whom are living.

Next to the youngest, Robert W. Alford was reared and educated in Fort Worth. As a boy he worked as a messenger in the Western Union office, also as an employee of the Fort Worth and Denver City Railway, and concluded his education with a course in the Pruitt Business College, the first institution of the kind in Fort Worth, established by F.P. Pruitt. Mr. Alford

has been in the artificial ice business since 1900. He organized a company for the manufacture of ice, and in 1912 this company built the Alford Ice Plant, the first of its kind in Fort Worth to employ electrical equipment. The business is one that employs about twenty-five people, and it supplies a large part of the ice consumed in Fort Worth and neighboring towns.

Mr. Alford is a member of the Kiwanis Club, the Knights of Pythias and the Elks. He married in 1892 Mary Castle, of Smith County, Texas. They have three daughters, Cecilia, Catherine and Roberta. ❖

(President's Piece, cont. from p. 68)
members, you can expect her to be requesting this information. You can save a lot of time, energy, and money by just sending them to her.
Mail them to 4253 Verona Avenue,
Jacksonville, FL 32210. You can e-mail her at

<chamblis@teacherzone.com>.

NOMINATIONS FOR DIRECTOR: In the last issue I commented on this subject and announced the formation of the committee to handle nominations this year. Earlier this year I was advised by Dr. Cecil Alford that because of a serious back problem he would be unable to follow through as the chair. I took the unusual, but not unprecedented, action of making myself the chair of the committee but I stayed as far out of the process as possible. The following is the notice that went to the online members in the AAFA Online Newsletter in April: The nominations committee (Pam Thompson, Sally Stoewer and Lynn Shelley) has just about finished its work for this year. As readers may remember the AAFA Articles of Incorporation were changed at the last meeting. As a result all board members currently serving will expire as of October 9. On that date AAFA will elect 12 directors: four

members for one year, four for two years and four for three years. The remaining work of the committee is to decide which nominees go for what period. The nominees and their other current AAFA duties are (in reverse alphabetical order): 1. Vetri, Doris Alford, Treasurer; 2. Stoewer, Sally; Chair Merchandise Committee; Janice Smith, Wills Officer and co-chair of the Photo Committee; 4. Shelley, Lynn; Vice President & head of AAFA research; 5. Savage, Kim; Web Master; 6. Darden, Ramona Alford; Chair Meetings Committee 7. Alford, Richard "Dick" M.; 8. Alford, Max, Secretary; 9. Alford, Lodwick H. "Wick", Chair Human Resources Committee; 10. Alford, Gilbert K. "Gil", President; 11. Alford, Donald R.; 12. Alford, Cecil, manages AAFA e-mail directory.

STRATEGIC PLANNING AND POLICY COMMITTEE: I also mentioned in the last issue that Jimmie Alford #0500 of Chicago, was chairing the AAFA Strategic Planning and Policy Committee. He has done considerable work on this, and we are now in the process of establishing a small steering committee to help with further planning. Jimmie expects to make a report at the meeting in San Antonio.

SPEAKING OF SAN ANTONIO: Mark my word! It is going to be the biggest and the best to date. How about all those tours planned? Mary and I hope to make every one of them. I've made my hotel reservation for seven nights-one full week of Alford fellowship. In our monthly Online Newsletter we are informing the online members of the registration status, which is just getting started. We are tracking registrations by family branch and by state. As of this writing there are 14 registered and the leader in each category is the John Seaborn Alford branch (my branch, but I'm not one of those registered yet) and the state leader is Louisiana. Wouldn't it be

something if Louisiana beat out Texas this year in number of members present?

RESEARCH! RESEARCH! RE-SEARCH! I know that my founding partner, Wick Alford, and my managing partner, Lynn Shelly, would be upset if I did not emphasize research. We have an awesome amount of information on our Alford ancestors. However, the amount of data out there that we don't have exceeds what we do have. It is so important to the purposes of our association, yet it is so simple. For example, look at the article "Texas Courthouse Circuit—A Spring Break Trip" on page 66. On a short vacation or pleasure trip to Texas, Lynn visited a few courthouses and turned up important new information (marriage data) on several hundred Alfords. Yes, I said several hundred. You can do this too. You don't need some special AAFA research title. You don't need any special training or tools. You don't need to travel great distances—just do it in your county and neighboring counties. Everyone can find their own county courthouse. If you don't know who to ask or what to ask for, give Lynn a call or drop her a note and she will be happy to tell you. Some of you live near major genealogical libraries and state or national archives. All of them contain useful Alford information. No matter where you are, you can help with research. If you don't know your next move, contact Lynn—see page two for her address or e-mail address. Her phone number is (417) 882-4206.

HELP! I'll close with this one and make it short and simple. We need help with computer input. All you need is a computer and willingness. We are looking primarily for folks to enter census data or information for the Master Booklist (see AAFA ACTION Vol. XI, No. 2 Fall 1998, page 60). You don't see a Booklist Update in the most recent issues because of the lack of HELP!

Clarissa White Alford's Quilt

At the 1997 Annual Meeting in Pleasanton, CA, AAFA #763 Frieda Shepherd brought us a copy of a pamphlet about a quilt made by Clarissa Alford. This led us to further research and the article below.

In 1961 the granddaughter of Clarissa White Alford donated one of her grandmother's quilts to the Shelburne Museum in Shelburne, VT. In 1997 RJR Fashion Fabrics chose this quilt as the basis of one of their quilt fabric reproduction collections.

"In an effort to continue to offer American 19th century fabric adaptations to quilters worldwide, RJR signed a licensing agreement in January 1996 with the Shelburne Museum of Shelburne, Vermont to recreate fabrics found in the Museum's celebrated collection of over 500 quilts and counterpanes.... Created in celebration of Shelburne Museum's 50th Anniversary, the second collection, Clarissa White Alford Collection, was drawn from a Windmill Blade Triangles quilt constructed in 1886-1890...." From www.rjrfabrics.com/ collections/html [4/15/99]

The Clarissa White Alford Collection

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The Clarissa White Alford Collection® is the second in a series of quilt fabric reproductions based on the textile collection of Shelburne Museum of Shelburne, Vermont. Created in celebration of Shelburne Museum's 50th Anniversary, this thirty-six piece collection features nine printed patterns and three shirting prints in colorways reflective of the nineteenth century. Six of the patterns, Foxtail,

Old Glory, Confetti, Provence, Tadpole and Checks, have been adapted directly from a quilt made in 1886-1890 by Clarissa White Alford of Cavendish, Vermont. The remaining



Clarissa White Alford, 1806-1890

Detail of Clarissa White Alford quilt

six patterns, Clair Matin, Cherokee Rose, Havanna, Forest Nettle, Edelweiss, and Raindrops, designed to complement the collection, are drawn from other early to late nineteenth century quilts and costumes. "Quilts have been an important part of our daily life for hundreds of years. Many of us, at some point in our lives, have been touched and moved by a quilt. These American 19th century fabric adaptations are our gift to quilters around the world in hopes that they will continue to pass on the art of quiltmaking from generation to generation," says Richard Cohan CEO.

The Quilt

The Clarissa White Alford quilt is a Windmill Blade Triangles quilt constructed in 1886-1890 by Clarissa White Alford. Measuring 87" x 75", the quilt is made up of forty-two 10" x 10 1/2" blocks arranged symmetrically according to color gradations. Within each block there are thirty-six smaller blocks made up of a total 144 right angle triangles that measure 1 1/2" x 1". The center group of triangles are placed diagonally to form a four-blade windmill vane motif. Most of the triangles consist of whole cloth, but a few have been pieced before cutting. The quilt showcases 6,048 triangular shaped varicolored calicoes including fabrics from the Cocheco Print Works of Dover, New Hampshire that date back to 1884. The backing of the quilt is made of white muslin and the quilting is in crossed diagonals.

In the late 1800s, there was a public fascination for quilts made from thousands of tiny pieces of fabric. Newspapers sponsored quilt contests awarding people who could make a quilt with the highest number of pieces. Celia Oliver, Shelburne Museum Curator explains, "Quilts made in this genre often incorporate squares or triangles of various patterns and colors, as the achievement of an overall pattern was less important than the quantity of pieces. Some quiltmakers, such as Clarissa Alford in her Windmill Blade Triangles quilt, managed to combine both objectives in their quilt project."

Clarissa's quilt was donated to Shelburne Museum in 1961 by her granddaughter, Delia Alford of Baltimore, Maryland. The quilt had been given to Delia's father, one of Clarissa's younger sons. In March of 1955, Delia Alford wrote to Electra Webb, founder of Shelburne, "Last August I visited the Museum and was particularly interested in your fine collection of handmade quilts. I have a quilt made by my grandmother. I had to execute a new will this week and I have bequeathed the quilt to Shelburne Museum as I have no descendants or near relatives. I hope you will not get it for a long time, but as I am over 65, one can never tell." This was the first mention ever of anyone willing an item to the Shelburne Museum. "Electra Webb, founder of Shelburne Museum, felt the gift of the quilt represented a milestone in the acceptance by the public of her tremendous efforts put forward in establishing the Museum," shares Oliver.

Clarissa White Alford

Said to be a descendant of Peregrine White who came over to the United States in the Mayflower, Clarissa Alford was born in 1806 in Cavendish, Vermont. In 1832 she married Mr. Ami [sic] Alford and lived most of her life in St. Albans and Waterville, Vermont. Clarissa had seven sons and two daughters not counting the six children her husband had from a previous marriage. During the later years of her life she moved to the province of Quebec, Canada. Clarissa had an enthusiasm and a passion for making quilts, having quilted up until her death in 1890.

To receive a free color brochure including a photo of the complete quilt, send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to RJR Fashion Fabrics, Attn. Marketing Dept., 13748 S. Gramercy, Gardena, CA 90249.

Request the Clarissa White Alford Collection brochure. The brochure is 8.5x11, so sending a large SASE will prevent folding.

The Shelburne Museum

From www.shelburnemuseum.org [4/15/99]

Hailed as "New England's Smithsonian," Shelburne Museum was founded in 1947 by Electra Havemeyer Webb, a pioneer collector of Americana and American folk art. Located in Shelburne, Vermont, the Museum is home to 37 exhibition buildings nestled on 45 scenic acres. With over 80.000 objects. Shelburne Museum houses one of America's most extensive and diverse collections of folk. fine and decorative arts. Collections include decoys, weather vanes, tools, quilts, carriages, circus memorabilia, American paintings and prints, and Impressionist works.

AAFA NOTES: Clarissa White was the second wife of Ammi Alford b. 1788. Much of the data on Ammi and his family came from Mildred Meyer, AAFA #324.

Ammi Alford was born in 1788 in Orleans County, NY, to Benedict Alford and Hulda ______. He was a private in Capt. Samuel Jack's Co., NY Militia in the War of 1812. A shoemaker, he married (1) Phoebe Conger, Apr 21 1815. She was born Jul 9 1789 in Vermont, the daughter of Job Conger and Robah Potter. Phoebe died Nov 3 1828 as age 39. She is buried in Greenwood Cemetery [from Maxine Crowell Leonard, *The Conger Family of America* (1972), p. 695].

Ammi married (2) Clarissa G. White Oct 31 1831 in Highgate, Franklin County, Vermont. She was born about 1806 in Vermont. Ammi's family was enumerated in the 1850 Vermont Census, Franklin Co, St. Albans, with Clarissa and all her children except for Reuben who was born 1851.

Ammi died after 1860—he was still living when he was enumerated on the 1860 Census, Jun 26, 1860.

Children of Ammi and Phoebe Conger Alford (all born in Franklin, Vermont):

- Jane Hickok Alford, born Feb 8
 1816. Married Feb 9 1834 in St.
 Albans, Franklin County, Vermont to Leonard Irish (from Vermont Vital Records). Jane died Jun 1
 1843.
- Lurinda Stratton Alford, born Apr 9 1819. She married Edmond Barnes.
- 3. **Fedelia Alford**, born Dec 8 1819.
- 4. **M. George Alford**, born Mar 13 1822. His family appears on the 1850 Census for Vermont, Franklin Co, with wife Sarah and two children.
- 5. **Hulda Ann Alford**, born May 4 1824
- 6. Mary Alford, born Mar 4 1827.

Children of Ammi and Clarissa White Alford (according to the information above, we are missing a daughter):

- 1. **Phoebe Alford**, born Oct 11 1832 in Franklin, Vermont.
- 2. Adial Alford, born about 1835 in Franklin County, Vermont.
 Census, 1850 with parents, 1860
 Vermont, Lamoille County,
 Waterville with wife Mary and two children.
- 3. **Alonzo Alford**, born Jan 28 1837 in Franklin, Vermont. Married **Conelia Slate** Feb 1 1860.
- 4. **Byron S. Alford**, born 1840 in Vermont.
- 5. **Nelson E. Alford**, born 1842 in Vermont.
- 6. **Albert Alford**, born 1847 in Vermont.
- 7. **Wallace A. Alford**, born 1850 in Vermont.
- 8. **Reuben Alford**, born 1851 in Vermont. ❖

1998 Meeting in Paducah, KY—More Photos

Miles and Judith Jackson, #533 GA, and Elisabeth McLane, #076 GA, in front of the mural about life on the river in Paducah in the early days. Miles and Elisabeth descend from John Alford, born 1815 in GA.

> Richard A. Alford, #917 IN, Virginia E. Alford, #217 MO, and Richard M. "Dick" Alford, #633 ID, descend from Benedict Alford, born 1619 in England.

Standing: Bob Alford, #908 TX, W. Dean Steward, #387 FL, Paul Davidson, #859 LA, and Janice Smith, #152 TX. Seated: Bob's wife Nell Alford, Dean's wife Martha Steward, Paul's daughter and our V.P. Lynn Shelley, #484 MO, and her mother Pat Davidson. Lynn, Bob, Dean, Paul, and Janice are descendants of Isham Alford, born 1755 in NC.

Alford Descendants Join Their Cousins from Across the Country

Standing: Mike Heazel, #664 MD, Ray Kesner, Frank Pangburn, #868 CA, Sue French, #1047 KY, and her mother Christine A. Schnitzler, #1048 KY. Seated: Frieda Shepherd, #763 CA, Ray's wife Corine Kesner, #1045 IN, Alicia R. Houston, #001 PA, and Ruth Eager Moran, #622 OK. Sue French and Christine Schnitzler are descendants of David Alford born 1785 in KY. Corine Kesner is descended from John Alford born 1735 in Ireland. All others are descendants of John Alford who died in Frederick Co., VA in 1748.

Above: Jerry and Sondra A. Harwood, #989 FL, and Myra A. and Bill Bishop, #1044 TX. Sondra and Myra are descendants of William Alford born 1794 in NC. Below: Connie and Dick Alford, #633 ID, Jean and Richard Ward, #1024 VA, Virginia E. Alford, #217 MO, and Richard A. Alford born 1794 in NC. Alford, #917 IN. Dick, Virginia, and Richard Alford descend from Benedict Alford born in England in 1619. Richard Alvord Ward descends from Benedict's brother Alexander Alvord, who was baptized in England about 1627.

Standing: Jeanne and Clif Singleton, #249, LA; Dick and Jeanne's sister Sally Stoewer, #120 LA; Nolan David and Mary Alford, #425 LA; guests Hugh and Marie Bateman; Scott and April Ernst, #269 MO; and April's father AAFA President Gil Alford, #019 MO. Seated: Pat Smith, #064 MS, Frankie Penny, #704 LA, Betty Alford Wall, #779 MS, Estelle "Dock" Alford, #848 LA, and Gil's wife Mary Alford. Jeanne, Sally, Nolan David, Hugh, April, Gil, Pat, Frankie, Betty, and Estelle, are all descendants of John Seaborn Alford, born 1807 in LA.

Carolyn A. Saunders, #673 TX, displaying her citation for special service to AAFA and the cross-stitched sampler made by AAFA Treasurer Doris Vetri that she won in the raffle. The sampler says, "May your life be a patchwork quilt filled with trreasured memories and held together with love." Doris's beautiful needlework is an incredibly generous gift to AAFA—sure to become an Alford heirloom!

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