Some Texas Cemeteries

LIMESTONE COUNTY

FERGUSON CEMETERY
Source: Virginia J. Bounds and Imogene C. Barham, *Limestone County, Texas, Cemetery Surveys, Volume I, Part 1* (Groesbeck, TX: Limestone County Historical Museum, 1988), p. 168.

John Alford	No dates	These 2 graves are adjacent
Dora Alford	No dates	

KOSSE CEMETERY
Source: Virginia J. Bounds and Imogene C. Barham, *Limestone County, Texas, Cemetery Surveys, Volume I, Part 1* (Groesbeck, TX: Limestone County Historical Museum, 1988), p. 276.
Description, p. 252: The Kosse Cemetery is made up of four sections—beginning on the east, Masons Addition; City Addition; Woodman of the World Addition; Independent Order of Odd Fellows Addition. The City Addition and the W.O.W. additions are the two oldest. Listing begins with first row of City Addition. [These three Alfords are apparently in Row 7, but the section is not identified on the page available.]

Luther A. Alford	1892	1976	These 3 graves are adjacent
"Pfc US Army WW I"			
Katie H. Alford	1898	1981	
Framon F. Alford	1925	1950	
"Pharmacist's Mate 2 C(T) SVV 6 USNR"			

SEALE-ROUND PRAIRIE CEMETERY
Source: Virginia J. Bounds and Imogene C. Barham, *Limestone County, Texas, Cemetery Surveys, Volume I, Part 2* (Groesbeck, TX: Limestone County Historical Museum, 1988), pp. 559–560.

James J. Alford	14 Sep 1892	7 Feb 1983	These 2 graves are adjacent
Gertrude (Gertie) Alford	18 Sep 1895	31 Jul 1982	

ORANGE COUNTY

EVERGREEN CEMETERY
Source: N.W. "Rusty" Alexander, *Orange County, Texas Demeteries, Part 1* (N.p.: N. pub., 1980), p. 1.
Description: Located in Orange.

Franklin Price Alford	3 Jul 1896	13 May 1946	Plot Number 8
Richard Franklin Alford	30 Jan 1960	17 Jan 1961	Plot Number 9

RUSK COUNTY

HICKORY GROVE CEMETERY
Source : Mary Franklin (Deason) Dunn, *52 Cemeteries Rusk County Texas, Volume II* (N.p: Rusk County Historical Commission, 1982), p. 48.
Description, p. 43: Located in north Rusk County off Farm Road 2276, in the Cross Roads Community. Copied 6 May 1965.

John A. Alford	24 May 1876	6 Mar 1961
"Otis Crim marker"		

TARRANT COUNTY

BOURLAND CEMETERY
Source: Evelyn D'Arcy Cushman, *Cemeteries of Northeast Tarrant County, Texas* (N.p.: N. pub., 1981), pp. 41, 43.

Cary J. Alford	17 Feb 1892	11 Jul 1945	adjacent to Florence
Florence G. Alford Brooks	16 Oct 1893	23 Aug 1979	adjacent to Cary
Mack Alford	17 Mar 1916	21 Dec 1970	adjacent to Leonard
"Tec 5 U.S. Army W.W. II"			
Leonard O. Alford	21 Jul 1921	21 Aug 1975	adjacent to Mack
"S1 U. S. Navy W.W. II"			

WATSON CEMETERY
Source: Evelyn D'Arcy Cushman, *Cemeteries of Northeast Tarrant County, Texas* (N.p.: N. pub., 1981), p. 206.

Charles P. Alford	23 Oct 1870	27 Aug 1877
"s/o R.F & A."		

WHITE'S CHAPEL CEMETERY
Source: Evelyn D'Arcy Cushman, *Cemeteries of Northeast Tarrant County, Texas* (N.p.: N. pub., 1981), p. 231.

Joseph P. Alford	25 May 1880	15 Aug 1940	❖

Critical Need: Cemetery Project Officer

Would you like to provide an essential service to Alford researchers? Alicia Houston, AAFA Genealogist, is urgently looking for a Cemetery Records Project Officer for the Association. She is already the Census Project Officer in addition to being the Genealogist, so she can't do too!

We have a number of xeroxed pages of cemetery records from books, many typed cemetery records that have been transcribed from books, and scattered reports from people who have actually been to the cemetery and copied the Alford gravestones. We also have photographs of gravestones. Some of these records have been typed and printed in *AAFA ACTION*, but we need more than typing.

- A collection procedure (similar to Alicia's system for the Census Project) needs to be set up so members know what cemeteries need to be searched, what information to submit, and where to send it.

- The records we currently have need to be gathered from the various officers who have them and organized, probably by state and county.

- Those that have not been printed in *AAFA ACTION* should be typed (on a computer) for publication. This needs to be done in a simple but specific format—like that in the preceding article. The Project Officer doesn't need to do the typing him/herself—just get it coordinated with someone who has a computer.

- Proper source documentation needs to be obtained for many of the records—many don't even have the full name of the book from which they were obtained! Again, this just needs to be coordinated and tracked.

- Photographs/negatives of gravestones need to be collected and filed.

- People willing to search microfilmed cemetery records (how-to info available from AAFA) need to be identified and organized so the massive amount of informatio out there can be collected.

Cemetery information can be organized and printed in a manner similar to the Booklist. New information can be published in each issue of *AAFA ACTION*, and a master list can be maintained and made available upon request. Pam Thompson, Publications Director, is willing to maintain this list since she has to format the data for printing anyway.

In addition, all of the gravestone data should be kept on a database so alphabetical lists can be printed and searches done. Gil Alford already has much of this data in his database and will coordinate with the Cemetery Project Officer.

If you'd like the satisfaction of working on an interesting, necessary project, please contact Alicia at the address listed on page 2 of this quarterly. "Alf's" everywhere will be grateful! ❖