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In the Tennessee IGI there is an Andrew Alford married to Polly Adkinson. Was Andrew the son of William and Mary Alford's son, Andrew? [See "William Alford, 1751-1811" in this issue.]

Also interested in Malinda Alford, who married Harrison Crouse on August 1828 in Williamson County, TN. Malinda was the daughter of John Alford and Jane McElhattan (their marriage listed in the TN IGI). Andrew Krause and Margaret Alford, daughter of William and Mary, had a son by named Harrison whose marriage, if any, I've never been able to find. This may be he and would explain, if he married in Tennessee, why I haven't found it before. And she must have been a cousin-maybe a daughter of her mother's brother John. [Until Camille made this suggestion we had never considered the connection. Checking our current genealogy of John Alford, born 1787 in NC we find that he had a daughter, Malinda, who we estimate was born 1810. Nothing is included about her marriage. Camille had made a separate suggestion that this John was the son of William Alford born about

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1751 in VA or NC.]

I still want to know who Thomas and Elizabeth Alford were who signed as witnesses on William's deeds.

Does anyone know anything about Betsey Alford and Marmaduke Williams? Their father (and my uncle by marriage) was Marmaduke Williams Norfleet. Surely a child of the above couple (a daughter) married a Norfleet. My cousins have never been able to learn anything about them. [Reference was made to About Alfords #22 January 88 in which a NC Alford marriage list

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located on a thirty-eight acre tract of land. In 1959, an additional plant was built in Corpus Christi, Texas.

Alford made a number of innovations in the operation and management of a refrigerated warehousing business. The highly mechanized warehouses were built according to his own unorthodox ideas of refrigeration, insulation, and materials handling. Alford employed special dehumidifiers and other devices and was the first in his industry to use battery-operated fork lift trucks. Although his company was the largest of its kind, handling about a billion pounds of merchandise a year, the high degree of automation enabled it to operate with only 200 employees and an output per manhour that was three times industry average.

Alford became known as a leader in liberal programs of employee benefits, including unlimited medical expense coverage for workers and their families, with all expenses paid directly from company funds. The Alford Credit Union, a company sponsored investment plan offering employees an opportunity to earn up to 22 percent on their savings, was chartered by the state of Texas in 1947 with a capital of \$50; by 1964, share holdings had reached \$300,000. College scholarships were also offered to deserving children of workers. Alford credited the employee benefit program for the low rates of employee turnover, absenteeism, accidents, and pilferage.

Alford's chief hobby was skeet shooting, which began only in the 1940's after many years of bird hunting. He won numerous trophies in skeet competitions; in 1953 he was named to the men's All-American Skeet Team and in 1954 placed fourth in the Pan-American Olympics. With his son, he won father-and-son world championships in 1951 and 1953. He and his wife set a world record in 1953 in husbandand-wife skeet shooting with 497 out of 500 targets and in the same year set a record of 299 out of 300 shots. At his death, they still held the record for the longest husband-wife run without a miss, 358 targets. As president of the Dallas Gun Club, Alford helped to reactivate and expand the annual Pan-American International Skeet Championships there.

He was married in Washington, DC, May 31, 1930, to Olita McCoy and had a son, Frederick Fergus Alford, Jr. Frederick F. Alford, Sr. died October 14, 1964.

Author's note: The Alford Refrigerated Warehouses still are business in Dallas and Frederick Alford, Jr. recently stepped down from President. Now his daughter, Bertha "B" Alford is the new President of the company. At last contact, Olita Alford was still alive but in poor health. If any of our members in Texas have had contact with this family, I would love to hear from you. \diamondsuit

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was published. Betsey Alford married Marmaduke Williams 19 August 1824 in Franklin County, NC. This same listing contained the record of a Kelly Norfleet who married an Adda Simpson. It was listed because Simon Alford was bondsman for the marriage which was 1857 in Wake County.]

Am also curious about Green Alford and Elizabeth Winningham. My cousins and I descend from Winningham/ Willinghams (used interchangeably). My middle name is Willingham. [Most of the Green Alfords come in the branch of Captain Lodwick Alford and maybe he can answer this one. At one time it was thought that Green was the son of Cade Alford and Anpy Hunt.]

[The above was sent to Camille for review to which she adds the following] Regarding those Tennessee Alford and Krause marriages in TN. Both the Krauses and Alfords lived in the NC mountains at times, and during the Revolution, a part of our NC mountain area was made a part of Eastern Tennessee—the border was defined then. This can easily account for these marriages that took place in TN, which actually was a part of the mountain section where our NC kinfolk were living. So it makes sense that they were our family members, too! Have learned so much history—painlessly and interestingly through my genealogy research. And some geography, too!

From Beverly Brown, 220 E. 10th St. S., Newton IA 50208

My 3rd great grandmother is SUSAN ALFORD, born about 1785 in KY or VA. Susan was the second wife of John GOOSEY, son of Peter Sr., and they were married 24 May 1808 in Clay Co. KY. John probably died before 1820, as Susan is listed as head of house in the 1820 Henry Co. KY census.

At some point in the 1820's Susan and her children must have moved to southern IN, as I find the marriages of three of the girls in Crawford Co. IN. Mariah born 1809 in KY; married 13 Dec 1827 James Prather. James and Mariah are my second great-grandparents; Mary "Polly" married 29 July 1827 to Roswell Main, son of Meacham; Susan married 28 Feb 1828 to Thomas Chanley. There was a son John Goosey Jr., born 20 Jun 1810. He married Kathryn Tipton 1 or 3 Dec 1843 Coles Co. IL. I have found descendants in each of the families of the above 4 children. The fifth child, Letitia, was married 28 Sep 1848 Coles Co. IL to James Hutton.

Susan Alford Goosey remarried 19 Nov 1829 Edgar Co. IL to Mecham Main, father-in-law of her daughter Mary "Polly". Apparently this couple separated or was divorced in the mind 1840's, as Meacham is later in IN with his family and Susan is in IL with her daughter Letitia, until Susan's death in 1870 at Mattoon, IL, and she is buried there. Her headstone names her Susan Goosey. I know nothing about Susan's parents. Can you help? \blacklozenge