

## The Alford American Family Association

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## Michael Foy Alford AAFA #0972 Charter Member

February 26, 1962 - May 06, 2014

Michael Foy Alford was a true gentle man -- a student, magician, musician (everything from rock drumming to bluegrass mandolinist), philosopher and mentor to young musicians.

Born in Fremont, California in 1962, to Mary Gabriel Foy Alford and Howard Anson Alford. He was raised the youngest of five children in Livermore. Mike attended St. Michael's school for eight years, and then attended Livermore High School.

Music was a common thread in the Alford home, and Mike was a consummate drummer. When older brother Tom and friends, Jon Stebbins and Greg Edwards moved to Los Angeles to form the group The Point, Mike was right along with them at a tender age of 16. The Point reached various levels of success; they were offered a recording contract through a major-label producer (which they turned down because it prohibited artistic freedom); one of their songs was featured as background music on the television show "The Gilmore Girls". The group played nightclubs at night and worked during the day at record companies to make ends meet. Mike went to night school to finish his education and continued his study in music with various artists in the LA area. Mike also formed and conducted several drum circles for disadvantaged youth in both Los Angeles and Nashville. He married Suzanne Edwards in 1988; they later divorced.

Mike moved to Nashville in 2005.

Mike was passionate in all his interests, and a mentor to young musicians in Nashville. His humor, quick wit, compassion, and insight touched all his friends and acquaintances.

Mike is preceded in death by his mother, Mary, his father, Howard, and several uncles and aunts.

Mike leaves in grief his love, Tracy Myers, his brother Howie and wife, Terese, his brother Owen and his wife, Lori, his sister, Kathy, and his brother Tom and his wife, Victoria, his nephews, Jake, Jesse, and Sonny, and special nieces, Rachel and Maryanne Emily, along with the special friends he met along the way.

Services in Nashville will be private, and services in Livermore, California will be announced at a later date. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Nashville Rescue Mission or to a charity of your choosing.

Please sign the Guestbook for the family.

## CRAWFORD MORTUARY & CREMATORY, 615-254-8200

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## U.S. Cemetery and Funeral Home Collection, 1847-2018

Birth Date: 26 Feb 1962

Birth Place: Fremont, Alameda, California, USA

Death Date: 6 May 2014 Obituary Date: 9 May 2014

Source Location: Antioch, Tennessee, USA

Spouse: Suzanne Edwards

Parents: Mary Gabriel Foy Alford

Siblings: Howie and wife, Terese; Kathy; Owen and his wife, Lori;

Tom; Tom and his wife, Victoria

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