

REV. JOHN MADISON ALFORD

Son of John Alford

Chart A

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JOHN ALFORD

(married)

JOHN MADISON ALFORD

Aug 7 1826-Mar 29 1892

1) SARAH CORNELIA RAINEY

1836-1880

(married Apr 4 1854)

2) SARAH FRANCES COOPER

Apr 8 1836-Feb 8 1910

(married Sep 6 1860)

GEORGE ALFORD

NEVER MARRIED

JULIUS ALFORD

SARAH HYRICK

(married Feb 26 1862)

DUKE ALFORD

1833- Civ Mar

ANNIE BELL MCGRAW

(married)

JAMES HENRY ALFORD 1857-1932 1) ANN MARIE PACE Jul 17 1855-Apr 5 1888 (married Aug 21 1876) 2) LUE J. MARTIN 1879-1940 (married Jul 22 1888)	GEORGE ALFORD Jan 18 1855-Nov 26 1909 MARY A. (M) PACE (married) and/or MOLLIE H. WARREN (married)	FRANCES ALFORD #1 TOWNSEND (married)	MATTIE ALFORD Aug 13 1864-Dec 9 1941 C. W. CAMMON (married Nov 16 1894)	CHARITY ALFORD Mar 3 1866-Sep 24 1912 W. W. WARREN (married Feb 16 1899)	HANNA E. ALFORD Jun 19 1869-Dec 31 1951 JOHN F. FINGLE 1870-1952 (married Jan 17 1894)	JOHN WILLIAM ALFORD Aug 14 1871-Oct 22 1903 BELL JONES (married Dec 23 1894)	BENJAMIN WARREN ALFORD May 31 1876-Dec 25 1953 PHRONETTE D. HAMBROCK (married Oct 27 1904)	HINNIE ALFORD Feb 27 1881-Mar 7 1910 LEE EDWARDS (married Jul 11 1903)
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Children by first wife:

WILLIAM LAFAYETTE ALFORD Jun 16 1877-Jan 30 1932 MINNIE E. KEITH Sep 13 1879-Oct 1946 (married)	JOHN MARTIN ALFORD Jan 1 1879-Jul 5 1950 ANNIE BELL Mar 10 1885-Jan 14 1919 (married) #2 Children by second wife:	ANDREW JACKSON ALFORD Mar 14 1880-Nov 20 1956 EFFIE FRANCES KEITH Oct 14 1886-Feb 5 1957 (married Oct 7 1900)	BENNETT JEFFERSON ALFORD Nov 1881-Nov 1918 BELLE BURNS Mar 5 1884-Sep 17 1974 (married)	JAMES WALTER ALFORD 1918 CARRIE KEITH 1888-Sep 25 1926 (married)	GEORGE ALBERT S. ALFORD Jan 31 1886-Jun 24 1937 VALERA CLAY Sep 22 1888-Dec 25 1969 (married)	HENRY GREEN ALFORD 188-Jan 6 1939 FLORENCE BROWN (BRANN) (married)
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DEE (DEL) #4 ALFORD 1890-1940 1) SANDERS (married) 2) EDWARDS (married)	EFFIE ALFORD J. B. CROSSLAND (married) YOUNG (married)	GLADYS ALFORD #1 TOM INGRAM (married)	LESSIE (TESSIE) ALFORD #1 JOE BENNYFIELD (married) #2 KEITH (married)	CONNIE ALFORD	CLAUDE ALFORD Aug 1 1893-May 8 1963 ALMEDA (NEADE) RIDGEWAY Aug 25 1902-Oct 15 1967 (married)	ROY ALFORD Apr 13 1900-Jan 20 1979 #1 LUCILLE (married) #2 MARY (married) # May be reversed	ARNOLD ALLEN ALFORD Mar 28 1908-Mar 26 1972 LILLIE TIGERT Feb 14 1911- (married)	LONNIE ALFORD JOHN MCDUGGAL (MCDUGAL) (married)
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FOOTNOTES:

#1 A Betty Alford married J. W. Townsend Nov 27 1876 in Newton Co. MS.

#2 One report shows a marriage to Mary T. Jacobs (Feb 22 1881-Jul 12 1902)

#3 He changed his name to Sidney Albert Alford.

#4 This could have been a child of the first marriage.

JEWELL ALFORD Jun 12 1906-Jan 7 1909	GLENNIE ALFORD Jun 24 1908-Jul 22 1917	HOMER LEE ALFORD Oct 8 1910- SUSIE MAE BEASON (married Oct 13 1940)	CLED ALFORD Oct 12 1912- OTIS SMITH (married)	HERRAN ALFORD Sep 26 1915- GNEBOLLY P. THOMAS (married Jul 6 1942)	BENNETT WARREN ALFORD Oct 22 1918- NAVIS PICKLE (married Nov 22 1945)
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## JOHN ALFORD

A. John Alford was probably born around the turn of the century in North Carolina, and he probably died in Alabama.

His children were:

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- i. John Madison Alford, born August 7 1826 in Georgia, died March 29 1892 in Meshoba County, Mississippi, married (1) Sarah Cornelia Rainey April 4 1854 in Greene County, Alabama and (2) Sarah Frances Cooper September 6 1860, nine children;
  - ii. George Alford, probably born about 1828, died in Noxbee County, Mississippi, never married;
  - iii. Julius Alford, probably born about 1830, married Sarah Myrick February 26 1862 in Rankin County, Mississippi;
  - iv. Duke Alford, born about 1833, died in the Civil War, married Annie Bell McGraw, six children;

## JOHN MADISON ALFORD

B. John Madison, son of John Alford, was born August 7 1826 in Georgia. He died March 29 1892 in Meshoba County, Mississippi.

John Madison was a Primitive Baptist Preacher who married twice. He first married Sarah Cornelia Rainey April 4 1854 in Greene County, Alabama. She was born about 1836 and died in 1860 or before. After her death his second marriage was to Sarah Frances Cooper September 6 1860 in Lauderdale County, Mississippi. Sarah was born April 8 1836 and she died February 8 1910. John and Sarah Cooper Alford are buried in Henry's Chapel Cemetery, Route 3, Philadelphia, Meshoba County, Mississippi.

John Madison and his family lived in Newton County, Mississippi from about 1840 until they moved to Meshoba County, Mississippi in 1878.

John Madison served in Company B, 8th Mississippi Infantry, Confederate States of America.

The children of John Madison Alford and Sarah Rainey were:

- i. George Alford, born January 18 1853, died November 26 1909, married Mary H. Pace and/or Mollie H. Warren;
- ii. James Henry Alford, born in 1857 in Alabama, died 1932 married (1) Ann Marie Pace August 21 1876 in Lauderdale County, Mississippi and (2) Lue J. Martin July 22 1888 in Meshoba County, Mississippi;
- iii. Frances Alford, born about 1859, married a Townsend in Kemper County, Mississippi;

The children of John Madison Alford and Sarah Cooper were:

- iv. Mattie Alford, born August 13 1864, died December 9 1941, married C. W. Cannon November 16 1894 in Meshoba County, Mississippi;
- v. Charity C. Alford, born March 3 1866, died September 24 1912, married W. W. Warren February 16 1899 in Meshoba County, Mississippi;
- vi. Manza E. Alford, born June 19 1869, died December 31 1951 married John F. Tingle January 17 1894 in Meshoba County, Mississippi;
- vii. John William Alford, born August 14 1871, died October 22 1903 married Belle [Bell] Jones December 23 1894 in Meshoba County, Mississippi, two sons;
- viii. Benjamin Warren Alford, born May 13 1875 in Newton County, Mississippi, died January 31 1923, married Phronettie [Frona] Davidson Hambrick October 27 1904 in Meshoba County, Mississippi, six children;
- ix. Minnie Alford, born February 27 1881, died March 7 1910, married Lee Edwards July 11 1903 in Meshoba County, Mississippi.

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WE NEED CONNECTIONS

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If you can help with information on John Alford, and other ancestors of John Madison Alford, there are several ALFS who would be most grateful. They include, Grady Alford, Herman Alford, Randall Alford, and Peggy Schuster. They are all descendants of Rev. John Madison Alford.

LOOSE ALFORD LINE

## JAMES HENRY ALFORD

C. James Henry, son of John Madison and Sarah Cornelia (Rainey) Alford, was born in Alabama in 1857. He died in 1932.

He married first Ann Marie Pace August 21 1876 in Lauderdale County, Mississippi. She was born July 17 1855 and died April 5 1888. His second marriage was to Lue J. Martin on July 22 1888 in Meshoba County, Mississippi. Miss Martin was born in 1879 and died in 1940.

The children of James and Ann Marie Pace were:

- i. William Lafayette Alford, born June 16 1877 in Meshoba County, Mississippi, died January 30 1932, married Minnie E. Keith;
- ii. John Martin Alford, born January 1 1879 in Meshoba County, Mississippi, died July 5 1950, married (1) Annie Bell (2) Minnie Kennedy and there is one account of a marriage to Mary T. Jacobs;
- iii. Andrew Jackson Alford, born March 14 1880 in Meshoba County, Mississippi, died November 20 1956, married October 7 1900 Effie Frances Keith, fourteen children;
- iv. Bennett Jefferson Alford, born November 1881 in Meshoba County, Mississippi, died November 1918, married Belle Burns;
- v. James Walter Alford, born 1887 in Meshoba County, Mississippi, died 1918, married Carrie Keith;
- vi. George Albert Sidney Alford, changed name to Sidney Albert, born January 31 1886 in Meshoba County, Mississippi, died June 24 1937, married Valera Clay;
- vii. Henry Green Alford, born in the 1880's in Meshoba County, Mississippi, died January 6 1939, married Florence Brown or Braun;

Children by James and Lue J. Martin were:

- viii. Dee Alford, died young, and could have been the child of the first wife;
- ix. Effie Alford, born 1890 and died in 1940 married (1) \_\_\_\_\_ Sanders and (2) \_\_\_\_\_ Edwards;
- x. Gladys Alford, married J. B. Crossland;
- xi. Lessie [Tessie] Alford married (1) Tom Ingram and (2) \_\_\_\_\_ Young;
- xii. Connie Alford, married (1) Joe Bennifield and (2) \_\_\_\_\_ Keith;
- xiii. Claude Alford, born August 1 1893, died May 8 1963, married Almeda [Neade] Ridgeway;
- xiv. Roy Alford, born April 13 1900, died January 20 1979 married (1) Mary \_\_\_\_\_ and (2) Lucille \_\_\_\_\_ (order may be reversed);
- xv. Arnold Allen Alford, born November 28 1908, died March 26 1972 married Lillie F. Tigert;
- xvi. Lonnie Alford, married John McDougal [McDougal].

## BENJAMIN WARREN ALFORD

D. Benjamin Warren, son of John Madison and Sarah Frances (Cooper) Alford, was born May 13 1875 in Newton County, Mississippi. He died January 31 1923 of pleurisy and is buried in the Cedarlawn Cemetery in Philadelphia, Meshoba County, Mississippi.

Benjamin married Phronettie Davidson Hambrick, October 27 1904 in Meshoba County. She was the widow of John Hambrick and the daughter of Henry Washington Davidson and Rebecca A. Moore. Phronettie or Frona, as she used on her marriage license, was born May 31 1876 in Lauderdale County, Mississippi, and she died December 25 1953. She too is buried in Cedarlawn Cemetery.

Children of Benjamin and his wife were:

- i. Jewell Alford, born June 12 1906 in Meshoba County, Mississippi, died January 7 1909;
- ii. Clennie Alford, born June 24 1908 in Meshoba County, Mississippi, died July 22 1917;
- iii. Homer Lee Alford, born October 8 1910 in Meshoba County, Mississippi, married Susie Mae Beason October 13 1940;
- iv. Cleo Alford, born October 12 1912 in Meshoba County, Mississippi, married Otis Smith;
- v. Herman Alford, born September 26 1915 in Meshoba County, Mississippi, married Gwendoly P. Thomas July 6 1942;
- vi. Bennett Warren Alford, born October 22 1918 in Meshoba County, Mississippi, married Navis Pickle November 1945.

JACOB ALFORD  
 Dec 12 1738-Jul 4 1794  
 MARY PACE  
 1750ca-after 1780  
 (married \_\_\_ 1769)

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 SIGMUND ALFORD JAMES ALFORD WARREN ALFORD CYNTHIA ALFORD CHARITY ALFORD ELIAS (ELISHA) ALFORD LODWICK ALFORD WILEY ALFORD  
 Dec 12 1763-Jun 27 1832 1764- 1839 Mar 15 1770-Sep 5 1844 1772- 1776-Aug 7 1838 Oct 21 1779-Jul 28 1858 1783ca-1794  
 CLARKY MCYER KATHERINE MCYER 1) JENETTE LITTLE DIED YOUNG, UNMARRIED CHARLES THOMPSON CHARITY HEDGEPETH DIED YOUNG SOPHIA DRAKE  
 (married \_\_\_ 1830) (married \_\_\_ ) (married \_\_\_ ) (married \_\_\_ ) (married \_\_\_ ) (married Nov 20 1805) (married Dec 31 1805)  
 2) BARBARA LITTLE  
 1778-Feb 16 1886  
 (married \_\_\_ )  
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ALL CHILDREN BY THE FIRST WIFE EXCEPT THE LAST LISTED (Betha Jane)

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 LODWICK BLUE ALFORD SIGMUND ALFORD NEILL ALFORD CATHERINE ALFORD BATHSHEBA ALFORD MARY ALFORD DIANA ALFORD JAMES LITTLE ALFORD BETHA JANE ALFORD  
 Feb 17 1796-Mar 6 1873 Mar 5 1799-Jul 1 1886 Apr 1 1801-Sep 1 1829 Jul 8 1803-Sep 30 1819 Jul 12 1805-Jan 22 1882 Jan 9 1811-Jun 14 1883 Apr 13 1820-Nov 12 1823  
 CINDERELLA BRIDGES HALL 1) CATHERINE MCPHAUL GRACE MCPHERSON DANIEL C. MCCORNICK NEVER MARRIED DUGALD MCCALLUM NEVER MARRIED 1) SARAH MCPHAUL DIED YOUNG  
 1800- 1874 May 15 1802-Mar 2 1833 Mar 12 1806-Oct 20 1886 (married \_\_\_ ) (married Oct 19 1824) (married \_\_\_ ) (married \_\_\_ )  
 2) ELIZABETH LITTLE  
 Mar 7 1802-Dec 18 1889 Continued on Chart 6C  
 (married \_\_\_ 1833)  
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CHILDREN BY FIRST WIFE, CATHERINE MCPHAUL

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 BETHA JANE ALFORD PAISLEY ALFORD ALEXANDER ALFORD FLORA ANN ALFORD CATHERINE MCPHAUL ALFORD  
 Mar 14 1824-Dec 7 1913 Oct 3 1825-May 20 1896 Sep 18 1827-Mar 30 1912 Jan 28 1829-Oct 19 1910 Feb 18 1831-Jul 11 1902  
 DUNCAN MCMAIR 1) MARGARET ANN MCINNIS MARY CAROLINE BRIDGES NEVER MARRIED JAMES MCRAE  
 Jun 10 1824-Feb 16 1853 Jan 31 1837-Feb 14 1920 (married Jul 15 1859)  
 (married Jan 9 1845) (married April 1 1852) (married Jan 7 1857)  
 2) MARTHA JANE MCRAE  
 (married Nov 9 1854)  
 Continued on Chart 7B

CHILDREN BY SECOND WIFE, ELIZABETH LITTLE

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 HENRY GILES ALFORD DAVID ALFORD JACOB EVANDER ALFORD MARGARET DIANNA ALFORD LEW ELLEN ALFORD ELIZABETH FRANCES ALFORD MARY VIRGINIA ALFORD ANNA BELLA ALFORD  
 May 4 1835-Sep 4 1913 May 27 1836-Aug 30 1880 Nov 5 1837-May 3 1916 Jun 17 1839-Apr 4 1910 Aug 12 1841-Jan 11 1924 Aug 12 1841-Jan 11 1924 Feb 13 1845-Nov 1 1925 May 27 1846-Sep 8 1918  
 HUNTER ELIZABETH WILLIAMS FLORA ANN BUJE JOHN CARR WILLIAM JOE BONEY NEVER MARRIED NEVER MARRIED NEVER MARRIED  
 (married \_\_\_ ) (married \_\_\_ ) (married \_\_\_ ) (married \_\_\_ ) (married \_\_\_ )  
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 EMMA EUGENIA ALFORD PALATIRE CATH. ALFORD FRANK BRIDGES ALFORD RICHARD SIGMUND ALFORD JAMES ALEXANDER ALFORD MARY LILLIAN ALFORD  
 Aug 31 1859-Sep 25 1940 Oct 24 1862-Jan 19 1915 Oct 25 1866-Mar 5 1948 Mar 13 1869-Aug 8 1955 Oct 13 1873-Jan 15 1956 Nov 11 1876-Nov 18 1972  
 WILLIAM NICAJAH PRICE NEVER MARRIED LELA ESTELLE TILLMAN 1) ADA SEITON MARY MOINA PALMER GEORGE MCQUEEN BATTOM  
 Nov 16 1854-Sep 3 1925 Nov 20 1873-Nov 18 1968 Oct 27 1874-Feb 7 1912 Aug 20 1874- 1963 Mar 1 1880-Apr 14 1960  
 (married Nov 8 1882) (married Feb 2 1898) (married Dec 1 1896) (married Jan 19 1898) (married Dec 28 1909)  
 2) CARRIE BELLE SLAY  
 (married Feb 10 1916)  
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 HAYDEN LEE ALFORD MILDRED ALFORD FRANCES ALFORD SARA ALICE ALFORD FRANK BENTON ALFORD  
 Jan 6 1899- Oct 9 1900- Mar 10 1905- Oct 21 1906- Jan 17 1911-Sep 13 1971  
 KATHLEEN THOMPSON THOMAS RICHARD ARMSTRONG NEVER MARRIED NEVER MARRIED KATHERINE ROBINSON ALFORD  
 Aug 30 1897-Oct 30 1975 Nov 22 1899-Aug 12 1976 Nov 24 1928-  
 (married Aug 27 1932) (married Feb 12 1926) (married Aug 31 1938)

JACOB ALFORD (1738) FAMILY  
 Son of Lodwick & Susannah (Hartley) Alford

Chart 1

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## JACOB ALFORD

1. Jacob, son of Lodowick and Susannah (Hartley) Alford, was born December 12 1738 in New Kent County, Virginia. He died in Robeson County, North Carolina July 4 1794. He married Mary Pace, probably in 1758.

Jacob was a pioneer settler in Robeson/Bladen County, North Carolina. Sometime before April 1779 he moved from his original settlement to his final home, about two and one half miles northwest of Ashpole Church, in a community to be known as Alfordsville.

Children of Jacob and Mary were:

2 i. Sion Alford, born December 12 1763 in Robeson County, North Carolina, died June 27 1832, married Clarkey McTyre in 1830, eleven children;

3 ii. James Alford, born in 1764 in Robeson County, North Carolina, died 1839, married Katrain [Elizabeth] McTyre, ten children;

4 iii. Warren Alford, born March 15 1770, died September 5 1844, married (1) Jennette Little and (2) Barbara Little, nine children;

iv. Cynthia Alford, born about 1772, died young and unmarried;

v. Charity Alford, born 1776, died August 7 1838, buried Raynham, North Carolina, married Charles Thompson, fifteen children;

5 vi. Elias [Elisha] Alford, born October 21 1779, died July 28 1858, married Charity Hedgepeth November 20 1805 in Robeson County, ten children;

vii. Lodwick Alford, born about 1783 died at age 11 about 1794 from drowning in the Lumber River;

viii. Wiley Alford, married Sophia Valentine Drake December 31 1805, in Rutherford, County, North Carolina.

*(One account shows another son to be Briton Alford who married Betsy Brassel March 19 1805 in Greene County, Georgia.)*

## MAJOR SION ALFORD

2. Sion, son of Jacob and Mary (Pace) Alford, was born December 12 1763 in Robeson County, North Carolina. He died June 27 1832. He married Clarkey McTyre about 1830. They moved to Marion County, South Carolina.

The children of Sion and Clarkey were:

i. Elizabeth Alford, born November 15 1788, died September 1823, married 1806 John Drake;

ii. Mary Alford, born July 1790, married John Baker;

iii. Warren Alford (MD), born February 12 1793, died January 9 1866, never married;

iv. Suzannah Alford, born February 18 1795, died August 8 1846, married John Byars Frown;

v. Catherine Alford, born February 24 1797, married 1818 John McKay, six children;

vi. William Alford, born February 14 1799, never married;

vii. Wiley Alford, born June 21 1801, died November 22 1878, married Clarissa R. Fulmore, eight children;

viii. James Jordan Alford, born November 21 1803, died August 18 1874, married Sarah McCormick, four children; *(One account shows James and Jordan and two separate sons. Who can clarify?)*

ix. Ann Gobson Alford, born December 16 1805, died August 18 1874, married 1837 Alexander Blue [Blue];

x. Robert McTyre Alford, born May 10 1808, died September 4 1808;

xi. John Witherspoon Alford, married Elizabeth Fulmore 1833. Calvary and Confederate Soldier, six children.

## JAMES ALFORD

3. James, son of Jacob and Mary (Pace) Alford, was born about 1764 in Robeson County, North Carolina, and died about 1839. He married Katherine McTyre, daughter of Robert McTyre.

The Tories took James away to hang him because he would not tell them where the Whigs were hiding. Mingo, a Negro slave, went on a mule to warn the Whigs. They went in pursuit and overtook the Tories near Gallivants Ferry, South Carolina. After swimming their horses across the stream, they surprised them as they were about to

hang James. The 16 Whigs then rounded up the 22 Tories, brought them back, hung them, then buried them in the same grave.

James moved his entire family to Mississippi about 1818.

The children of James and Katrain were:

i. Julius [Old Cousin Julius] Alford, born 1808, married Jency Cammack, five children;

ii. Jacob Alford, died February 1861, married (1) 1819 Mary McKay and (2) Katherine McRae, nine children;

iii. Sarah Ann Alford, married Reubin Pierce;

iv. Kitty Alford, married James Arch;

v. Charity Alford, married \_\_\_\_\_ Legans;

vi. Agnes Alford, married Thomas Thompson;

vii. Winnie Alford, married William Doathwait;

viii. Mary Alford, never married;

ix. Jenny Alford, married Sam Rowan;

x. Miranda Alford, married William Wilson.

## WARREN ALFORD

4. Warren, son of Jacob and Mary (Pace) Alford, was born March 15 1770. He died September 5 1844. He was married twice; first to Jennette Little, born January 7 1773 and died June 17 1813, and second to Barbara Little, born 1778 and died February 16 1866.

Warren was a member of the House of Commons, North Carolina General Assembly, 1825-16 and 1827-18. He was the first postmaster of Alfordsville and he was an Elder in Ashpole Church.

The children of Warren and Jennette Little were:

i. Lodowick Blue Alford, married Cinderilla Bridges Hall, seven children;

ii. Sion Alford, born February 17 1796, died March 6 1873, married (1) Catherine McPhaul (2) Elizabeth Little in 1833 in Robeson County, North Carolina, thirteen children;

iii. Neill Little Alford, born March 5 1799, died July 1 1866, married Grace McPherson, fifteen children;

iv. Catherine Alford, born April 1 1801, died September 1 1829, married Daniel C. McCormick October 19 1824 in Robeson County, North Carolina, two children;

v. Bethsheba Alford, born July 8 1803, died September 30 1819;

vi. Mary Alford, married Dugal McCallus, two children;

vii. Diana Alford, born July 12 1805, died January 22 1822, never married;

viii. James Little Alford, born January 9 1811, died June 14 1883 married (1) Sarah [Sally] McPhaul and (2) Effie McLeod, twelve children;

The child of Warren and Barbara Little was:

ix. Betha Jane Alford, born April 13 1820, died November 12 1823.

## ELIAS ALFORD

5. Elias, son of Jacob and Mary (Pace) Alford, was born October 21 1779. He died July 28 1858. He married Charity Hedgepeth November 20 1805 in Robeson County, North Carolina. He moved to Tennessee then moved to Marion County, South Carolina.

Children of Elias and Charity were:

i. Nancy Alford, born February 22 1807, died June 9 1839, married George Trawick, three children;

ii. Benjamin Lee Alford, born February 9 1809, married (1) Harriett McNeill and (2) Anna McDonald, seven children;

iii. Sarah Ann Alford, born February 6 1811, died May 17 1853, married Elias P. Townsend, seven children;

iv. Ansel Alford, born January 6 1816, died September 16 1836;

v. James McNair Alford, born February 26 1821, died December 6 1868, married Mrs. Elizabeth Gooch Hearsey;

vi. William Berry Alford, born October 10 1823, died February 24 1902, married Annie Jane Thomas, seven children;

vii. Sophia Alford, married Zachariah Alford Drake January 25 1833 in Robeson County, North Carolina;

viii. Vernilla Alford, born May 6 1818, died September 12 1825;

ix. Mary Ann Alford, born October 15 1826, died November 2 1838

x. Elizabeth Charity Alford, married Alexander A. McCormick.

COPIES OF THESE LETTER WERE FURNISHED BY FRANCES ALFORD, ATLANTA AND JULIUS N. ALFORD, NCCOMB; THEIR COPIES CAME FROM HAYDEN ALFORD, JACKSON. IT WAS FURNISHED TO HIM BY ELAINE ALFORD BOYER. WE ARE PARTICULARLY INTERESTED IN LEARNING MORE ABOUT W. L. ALFORD & H. C. ALFORD, WHO ARE MENTIONED IN THE NEXT TO LAST PARAGRAPH, AND THE ALFORD INFORMATION COLLECTION IN WHICH THEY WERE APPARENTLY INVOLVED. FRANCES SUGGESTED THAT WE MAKE A PRACTICE OF PRINTING OLD ALFORD LETTERS IN THE NEWSLETTER. WE THINK IT IS A VERY GOOD IDEA, AND WILL PRINT THEM AS LONG AS YOU SEND THEM TO US.

NOTE FROM FRANCES ALFORD: "Written by Julius Caesar Alford; his father James Alford, grandfather Jacob Alford, great-grandfather Loderwick, great-great grandfather William Zion or Zion William. Letter written to his nephew, Nathan T."

Office Of  
MILLER AND MILLIER  
Dealers in General Merchandise

Gallman, Mississippi  
May 13, 1898

Mr. N. T. Alford  
Rowland, N. C.

My dear Nephew,

I was not at home when your letter came and it got misplaced and was found only a day or two ago. I will be glad to tell you what I know about your family.

My mother's name was Katherine McTier and my grandmother's name was Mary Pace.

I don't know for certain where my grandfather was born, but I think it was Wake County, North Carolina. I am not sure when he came to Robeson County, but he settled there after he married. My great grandfather lived and died in or near Wake Co. I cannot give you the dates.

I don't remember anything about William Zion Alford, but he came from the north of Wales.

I do not know whoa Zion William and Loderwick Alford married.

My Oldest sister Sarah Ann married Reuban Pierce, Kitty married James Ard. Charity married a Legan (sic:Ligon) in Tennessee. Agnes married Thomas Thomas, Winnie married William Doathwait. Mary did not marry. Jenny married Sam Rowan, Miranda married William Wilson.

I want you to write and tell me the names of Loderwick Alford's twenty-one boys, if you can. I have forgotten them and would give anything to know them all.

Remember me kindly to all the family.

I have received lately letters and blanks to fill our about the Alford family from M. L. Alford in Lewiston, N. C. and H. C. Alford in Indiana. I complied with their request. It seems they are writing a biography of the Alford family. If you know anything of this write to me about it as several of our relatives out here want it should it ever be written.

I will be ninety years old the 15th of next December, and my mind and hearing are very good.

Your Uncle,  
Julius Alford

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Your  
OLD ALFORD LETTERS  
With Others  
Send us a copy  
for  
Publication

NOTE FROM FRANCES ALFORD: "Letter from Caroline Bridges Alford to her sister."

McInnes Bridge, N. C.  
November 17th 1857

Dear Sister,

It has been two long weeks since I left home, and as I cannot see you, it is a pleasure that I take my seat to write to you this evening. I am very anxious to get home and see you again. I have been visiting so much that I am getting tired of it, and have not got half round yet. We are well and I have enjoyed very good health since I left home, except a slight cold.

We are now at Paisley's (Mr. A's brother), I like him and his wife very well. They are very religious, and I know that you would like them. Mr. A's mother and father are as good to me as they could be to anybody. I do not know who to write about. I will tell you all about them when I come home. I reckon Mr. A's oldest half-brother will come to Miss. with us.

We took them all by surprise when we came over. They did not know we were in the country until we were at Neil Alford's. I have been to church three times since I have been over here. I don't like Presbyterians much. They are too cold. They are not like Methodists. I have not seen a Methodist since I have been here that I know of. Everybody nearly are Presbyterians.

I have got acquainted with Mary and Susan Bridges, dau. of James Bridges. I believe they want to claim kin with me whether I am any relation or not. Susan is a very smart girl. I reckon we will call on them, as they insist on us doing so. I have not seen their father yet.

This country looks very poor. It is a very pretty country though. It is so level it is very pleasant traveling in carriages and buggies. I have not seen a lady ride horseback since I have been here. It is a very uncommon thing.

I have commenced my collar, and I think it will be right pretty. I have no idea that I will finish it before I come home, as I have to visit so much. The fashions are about the same here as they are in Miss - some little difference. I have seen some right pretty collar patterns.

Mr. Alford says he is going to write to Mr. Moran this week. We will start home between the 1st and the 10th of December. I reckon we are going to return by way of Memphis. I have got lots to tell you, but I do not know how to write it. It looks so simple when I write it down. I want to see you all very bad, and I hope the time will soon pass away. Tell MA not to be uneasy about me and not to stay home by herself much of the time. You must go to see her often. Give my love to her, I remain as ever, YOUR AFFECTIONATE SISTER,

CAROLINE

P.S. I wish I could hear whether you are all well or not.

NOTE FROM FRANCES ALFORD: "Written by Alexander Alford (1827-1912) to his father Zion."

Rockport, August 12th, 1860

Dear Father

I will attempt to write you a short letter. I have not such news to write you. We are all well except our little girl. She is not well. Seems to be rather puny at this time, teething I suppose. Caroline wants to have her Ambrotyp taken and send it to you. She thinks hers is better looking than anyboddies babe. But I fear Emma will not sit long enough to take. She does not grow very fast.

The most disturbing news I have to write is the protracted drought. We have had no rain of consequence since the first of May. My ground has not been wet since that time. Corn is the most complete failure I have ever seen. I will not make more than one-third enough to do me. Peas and potatoe crops will be short and unless it rains soon they will make nothing. Cotton is cut off at least half if not more. The dry weather has been general in great measure throughout the state, though in many places not so severe. I think this neighborhood has suffered as intensely as any I have heard from. If I fail to make a pea and potatoe crop I will have to buy about a thousand bushels of corn.

Henry (sic Henry Giles Alford) is here and now out of employ. He has been employed up to this time tolerably constant. We thinks there is a chance to get business up as a clerk in a mercantile house on the railroad. If he succeeds he will do better business even if his wages are not so high. He will be constantly employed. His health is bad. The health of our connections here is good. Cousin Jacob Ard died last Thursday of consumption. Politics are tolerably high in Mississippi at this time. Breckenridge and Lane will carry the state by the usual Democratic majority. My own private opinion is that Lincoln will be elected. I believe I have nothing more.

Yours,  
Affectionally,  
A. Alford

## ALFORD EXCHANGE

The following paragraphs contain the name and address of all the new ALFS who have joined our effort since the last newsletter. Information and questions concerning their lineage is included to the extent that it was furnished. In addition to the new ALFS there are entries on some of those who have been with us for some time, but for which we had not published an inquiry. There are also some corrections for previous errors. Send your response to us or to the person listed. If you send it to the person, please send us a copy so that we can update our record.

4-1 Miss Bobbie Alford; 295 Fernando Way; Daly City, CA 94015 is a member of the Julius Alford line. Julius 1717 VA, Jacob ca1756, John Seaborn 1807 LA, Willis Jacob 1847 LA, Eugene Booth 1882 LA, Tharon Eugene 1905 LA.

4-2 Mrs. Helen I. (Leonard) Alford; 10579 Star Avenue; Osceola, IN 46561. Leonard comes from one of the very few Northern lines that we have seen. His second great grandfather **Hiram Alford** was born June 11 1800 in Vergennes VT. He married Susannah Adams December 28 1820 in Meadville PA. He died December 11 1884 in Goshen, Indiana. Does anyone have information on the parents of Hiram?

4-3 Lodwick H. Alford; (Captain, U. S. Navy, Retired); P O Box 742; Sea Island, GA 31561. (The only living Lodwick Alford we know about) He was named for **James Lodwick** born 1749 and died 1820 in Wake County, NC, which according to family tradition is his ancestor. His great grandfather was **GREEN ALFORD** born 1787 and died 1848 in Wake County, NC, but they have not proved that he was actually the son of James Lodwick. His records show that James Jr. born 1713 was the father of his James Lodwick and the brother of our famous Lodwick born about 1710 in Virginia. Lodwicks family has an annual reunion of an association of the descendants of his father W. L. H. Alford and his mother Lucy Nell Overby. The met last in April in Sylvester, Georgia.

4-4 Miss Patricia Alford; 239 Drake Avenue; San Antonio, TX 78204. She sent data tracing her line from **Nathaniel S. Alford** born 1861 in Alabama. He married Emma J. Richards in Milan County, Texas in 1881. Their son was **Ottie Alford** born 1883 in Texas, then **F. R. Alford** born 1903 in Milan County, Texas and then Patricia. Rose Shelton tells us that the father of Nathaniel is **Redden Alford**, born 1820 in South Carolina, married Nancy Harrison and died August 21 1895. If you have information on Redden we would like to hear from you. Until we can learn more Patricia is in the loose line group.

4-5 Mr. William Howard Alford, Jr; Box 314 Lewisburg, TN 37091. Although we have a few minor differences in data, William is obviously of the William Alford line, William being a brother of Thomas 1725. He traces his line from John Alford who died 1748 and married Mary (Dawson), then William born 1734 VA, John born 1760 VA, John Bibb born 1790 VA, William Madison born 1818 AL, John Nelson born 1850 TN, William Howard born 1883 TN.

4-6 Margaret Baumgardner; Route 1, Box 264; Gurdon, AR 71743 is looking for information on **Levisa Alford**. About all we know is that she was born 1808 in Virginia or North Carolina and died 1881 in Pike County, Brocktown, Arkansas. She married Abner Henderson December 23 1831 in Morgan County, Alabama. It is possible that she was earlier married to Joseph Haney of Limestone County or Morgan County. We need anything we can get on Levisa.

4-7 Mrs. Marilla Alford Blau; Route 1 (Lexington); Ashland, KS 67831. Marilla is of the Thomas Alford line, and contributed to the accumulation of data that is included in the record that begins elsewhere in this issue. From Wayne Alford born 1821 her line comes down through Dr. John William 1842 IN, Wayne C. 1882 KS to her. Marilla cautions us about the use of our term "ALFS" to designate those interested in Alford. Most of Alfords pronounce the name using a broad a as in far or farther. Our abbreviation, which is used for the sake of convenience, is not to suggest you use the short a as in fat or ladder when pronouncing your name. It does seem to be easier saying **ALF** rather than **ANLF**.

4-8 Miss Esther Brown; 317 W. Wisconsin; Greensburg, KS 67054 is also on the Thomas Alford line. She provided data down to her grandfather. Starting with Thomas 1725 then John 1763, James 1791, Wayne 1821 and Dr. John William, her grandfather. She provided a correction to our John Alford list in issue number 2. Our 1840E shown for her grandfather should have been 1862.

4-9 Roderick E. Bush; 5892 Karen Avenue; Cypress, CA 90630. Rod's great great grandmother was **Mary Alford**, born about 1807 in North Carolina. She married (1) Samuel H. Fortson in Greene County, Alabama and (2) William McLemore after the death of her first husband about 1838, the later marriage in Lauderdale County, Mississippi. In the 1850 census of Lauderdale County, Mississippi, a Sherod Alford, born about 1816 in North Carolina lived near the McLemores with his mother, Milbra [Milberry?] Alford, born about 1779 in North Carolina. In the same county were Julius and James Alford. Records indicate that Julius, Sherod and possibly Abraham Alford were children of Milbra and her husband **Jacob Alford** born about 177-. What can you tell Rod about Mary or Jacob Alford?

4-10 Dr. James Mac Donald Edwards; 1941 Twin Falls Road; Decatur, GA 30032. Although we don't have his complete lineage, we know that Dr. Edwards is a descendant of James Alford, son of Lowowick and Rebecca Ferrell, then Cullen [Collin] Alford, then James Alford, then Nancy Ann Elizabeth Alford. Dr. Edwards is writing a book in which he will have at least one chapter with Alford information. He says he will be glad to correspond with Alford kin provided they include a stamped self-addressed envelope and full reference material. In another letter he cautions that he will be reluctant to give out source material that he plans to use in his book.

4-11 Kay Ann (Mrs. Jack D.) Feiden; 7761 Killarney Court; Wichita, KS 67206 probably belongs to the Thomas Alford line. Her great grandmother was Adeline Humphreys Alford born 1843 in OH, then her father Robert Perry born 1815, and his father **Fielding Alford** born ca 1780 in VA. The Thomas Alford family sketch prepared by Jewell Gallagher shows Fielding Alford born 1786 to be the son of John Alford and Miss Hayes. If you have information to prove this connection let us know.

4-12 Jewell (Mrs. M. L.) Gallagher; 1664 Oak; Bartlesville, OK 74003 prepared the documentation we have on the Thomas Alford line. From Thomas her line comes down through John 1763 VA, John 1798 VA, Joseph McClure 1834 VA, George 1871 In then her. The work of Jewell and those who worked with her will be the source of answers for many future ALFS.

4-13 Velma (Mrs. J. M.) Glenn; Route 1, Box 6. B.; Tow, TX 78672 probably belongs to the Jacob Alford line. She thinks her third great grandmother was **Charity Alford** daughter of Jacob and Mary Pace. We need proof that Susannah Thompson is the daughter of Charity Alford and Charles Thompson, Jr. Susanna was born September 20 1800 in North Carolina and married Eli Stephens ca 1817.

4-14 Mrs. Alice C. Grady; 396 Taylor Road; Stow, MA 01775 is one of <sup>THE</sup> contacts on our Chapman line (Mary's mother's family). She also publishes the **BOGGS** newsletter. She is looking for information on **Hulbert Alford** who married Julia Caroline, daughter of Dr. Beriah Greham and Lilly Boggs who were married about 1837 in St. Louis, Missouri. Hulbert and Julia Caroline Alford had a daughter Mary Lilly Alford in Texas.

4-14A Mr. Bobby Alford; 1106 Hickory Street; Lawrenceburg, TN 38464 is seeking information on **Aley Alford**, born Franklin or Wake County, North Carolina in 1804; lived in Lawrence County, Tennessee 1818-1836; married with three sons under 5 years of age in 1830 census of Lawrence County. Also, **Milly Alford** born in either Tennessee or North Carolina in 1816; married John Greenham in Lawrence County, Tennessee in 1840.

4-15 Mr. Harold E. Haynes; 1234 Folkestone Way; Cherry Hill, NJ 08034 needs our help with his loose Alford line. His first great grandmother was Sarah Minerva Alford born December 27 1813 in Indiana County, PA. She married William H. Borland in 1833. He knows her parents were John Alford born 1776/7 died 1871 who married Mary \_\_\_ born 1782/3 and died 1835. The ALFORD FAMILY BULLETIN, Issue Number 3, July 1971, page 14 shows a John Alford who married Mary Brown July 28 1786 in Campbell County, Virginia. If the birth dates Harold has are firm then this marriage is too early to fit his needs. What do you have to help him?

4-16 Mrs. Judi Hogan; Route 1, Box 22B; Brewster, WA 98812. In our second issue we had an entry on this line of Judi's husband. We now know that their great grandfather was T. J. (Thomas) Alford born about 1831 in Harris County, Georgia. He married a Mary Adams there in about February 4 1850. Judi believes that the parents of Thomas are William H. Alford and his wife Elizabeth, born in North Carolina. Send us all the information you have on these Alford, please.

4-17 Dr. Marian Alford Nixon Houk; 6218 Beachway Drive; Falls Church, VA 22041. She is of the Jacob Alford line. Her line from Jacob would be James 1764, Julius Caesar 1808, Dr. James Thomas 1840 MS, Jacob Elias 1880 MS. and her mother Ella Quin Alford Nixon.

4-18 Mr. Max Knox; 241 W. 17th Street; Chico, CA 95926. Max and his wife Margery were first with us as part of our Newkirk effort. Max has both Newkirk (Marys family) and Alford connections. His Alford connection is actually through the ALVORD line. He has sent us about 30 pages of family group sheets and related papers on the Alvord line. As soon as we can get caught up with some of our Alford introductory iteas we will begin a series on his Alvord papers.

4-19 Mrs. J. Fred (Lora McPhaul) Newman; 804 N. Rosedale; Toccoa, GA 30577. Lora is of the Jacob Alford line. Her third great grandfather was Warren Alford, son of Jacob and Mary Pace. Warrens daughter, Catherine Alford, born 1801, married Daniel McCormick.

4-20 Mrs. John (Novis) Odom, 702 North 6th Street, Homer, LA 71040. In the last issue we incorrectly listed her as an Alford rather than Odom. We regret that very much Novis. We would still like some information on William Alford and Mary Ellis as mentioned in the last issue.

4-21 Mr. Frank M. Pangburn, Jr.; 1087 San Ramon Drive; Chico, CA 95926 has a loose Alford line. His second great grandfather was Landy or Landa Alford born about 1805 in Wythe County, Virginia. He married Sarah Duke about 1826. She was born in Warren County, North Carolina. Landy and Sarah crossed the country on the Overland trail in 1846 and resided in Contra Costa and/or Solano County, California. Their daughter Adeline born February 16 1833 was the last Alford in Franks line.

4-22 Mr. Leland Porter; 310 Manhattan Drive; Lexington, KY 40505. Mr Porter is also of the Thomas Alford line. From Thomas his lineage goes through John Alford Sr., Charles 1803 VA, James 1824 VA, Adaline 1853 KY then they became Porters. He was one of the contributors to the Jocumentation of the Thomas Alford line.

4-23 Mrs. Gerry Showlater; 2653 Luna Avenue; San Diego, CA 92117. We made a mistake on her in the Linage table in the last issue. We indicated that it was Richard who was a descendant of the Alford, but it should have been Gerry.

4-24 Mr. Currie A. Stammer; P. O. Box 5; Chapel Hill, TN 37034 needs your help with a loose Alford line. His great grandfather was William Hamilton Alford born 1828 in Rutherford County, TN. He married Mary Ferguson Riggs October 20 1852. His son was John Thomas born 1853 in TN and his daughter, Currie's mother, was Lelia Alford born 1886 in TN.



4-25 Lucy Shull Stevens is the daughter of Mrs. Lewis Bowman who published the *ALFORD FAMILY BULLETIN*. We goofed on her entry in the lineage table published on pages 2 and 3 of the last issue. Lucy's name and the names of her ancestors were in the proper alphabetical location, but the computer and I forgot to move down the date line that should have followed. For those interested the dates just above Rod Bush's line are the dates for Lucy.

4-26 Mrs. Pamela Alford Thompson; 1017 Marilyn Drive; Mountain View, CA 94040. Although Pamela does not have her Alford line connected with the early ancestors or emigrant, she has the recent generations well documented. Her father was Ray Dorte Alford b 1911 LA, then James Maxie born 1877 TX, John Paten Phillip II 1850 GA and John Paten Phillip I born GA. John Paten P I died at Gettysburg from wounds received in battle on July 1 and 3. His wife was Amanda who married Rev. Abel Ansley after John's death. Who can help with John P. P. I?

4-27 Mrs. Elizabeth V. Wilkins; 701 23 Avenue East; Bradenton, FL 33508 has a loose Alford line. Her grandmother was Elizabeth W. Alford born 1857 in Gibson County, TN. Her father was John W. Alford born ca 1824 in TN and his father was George W. Alford who married a Mary B.. Mary remarried Joseph B. Page.

4-28 Mr. Charles Wesley Wright; Route 3; Independence, KS 67301 is of the Thomas Alford line. His grandmother was Mary Belle Alford, daughter of Joseph McClure Alford, son of John Alford, Jr. 1798 VA, son of John Alford, Sr. 1763 VA, son of Thomas Alford 1725.

4-29 Dr. Benjamin C. Holtzclaw; 1900 Lauderdale Drive, E-118; Richmond, VA 23233. Dr. Holtzclaw's wife was of the Julius Alford line through his son John who married Chloe Pope, then Abraham born 1787. (I can't be sure of Mrs. Holtzclaw's line from this point on from the data Dr. Holtzclaw sent and genealogy is no place for conjecture.) We first became aware of Dr. Holtzclaw through extensive Newsom family (my Mother's maiden name) material published in the Virginia Magazine of History and Biography when we was on the staff of the University at Richmond, Virginia. Later Dr. Randall Alford gave us his address and mentioned that he believed Dr. Holtzclaw was a contributor to the Boddie publications. Dr. Holtzclaw informs us that he is 88, a bit feeble, but manages to get around with a cane.

## **GENEALOGY NEWSPAPER COLUMNS**

One way to find information on our ancestors is to submit inquiries to those who write genealogy columns for newspapers. If you have such a column in your local newspaper, please send us a clipping, which includes their mailing address, and we will contact them, and pass the information on to our other readers.

If you are looking for an ancestor in Louisiana or in Southern Indiana, here are a couple you may want to try. We are in touch with both of these, and we have had inquiries printed by them. (We did receive some responses also)

### **LOUISIANA:**

MARIE WISE, P. O. Box 99, Sulphur, LA 70663; writes "THE CHALLENGE OF GENEALOGY" which appears in about 20 Louisiana Newspapers in cities and towns all over the state.

### **INDIANA:**

DORIS LEISTNER, P. O. Box 205, Tell City, IN 47586 writes "THE FAMILY CORNER" which is published in the *CRANFORD COUNTY DEMOCRAT*.

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