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## President's Precept

Greetings, Fellow Members! Again this is the Captain speaking!

By now you will all have received a preliminary announcement of the first annual meeting of our family association, to be held in Atlanta, Georgia, on October 15, 1988.



*Captain Lodwick H. Alford  
U.S. Navy, Retired  
AAFA President*

I hope you are planning to attend and urge you to do so. I realize that for some of you it is very short notice to make travel and lodging plans and perhaps juggle other plans you may have had. Seems like everyone plans meetings and other events in October, I guess because it is the first decent weather after a blistering summer.

By way of explanation, the officers of the Association had been discussing for about a year the when and where of our first annual meeting when an unexpected confluence of circumstances practically screamed out that we should meet in Atlanta on Oct. 15. At our meeting we hope to set the date and place of the next meeting so that long range plans can be made.

As we meet this year, let us try to keep in mind the bottom line or the primary purpose of this Association—which is gaining and disseminating more information about Alford's. As old Samuel Gompers said about the long-range goals of the labor movement: "More! More! More!" So, more about Alford's! And also keep in mind that this is not a social organization. While some of the stated purposes of the Association touch on social aspects, there is no doubt that the total thrust of all our listed purposes is more information.

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## Thank You!

Mrs. Alberta Alford Skillen, AAFA founding member #15, recently donated a complete set of the *Alford Family Bulletin* to the Association. The *Bulletin* was edited by Mrs. Lewis O. (Tressie) Bowman during the 1970's.

Mrs. Tressie Bowman, who was 89 years young last January, has been given a lifetime honorary membership in AAFA in appreciation for the work she did in reasearching and publishing the most comprehensive collection of Alford data ever published.

Nancy Dietrich, AAFA Genealogist, has the set of Bulletins, which will be added to our library. A huge thanks to Alberta Skillen for this valuable donation!

## Treasurer's Report

### Financial Statement and Budget

The 1987 Financial Statement, published in the first issue of AAFA Action, is shown here again for comparison. The 1988 and 1989 Budgets were submitted to the IRS, but they will be revised at the Annual Meeting.

	1987 ACTUAL	1988 BUDGET	1988 ACTUAL TO DATE	1989 BUDGET
<b>REVENUE</b>				
REGISTRATION FEE	\$420.00	\$420.00	\$310.00	\$420.00
INITIAL DUES	336.00	336.00	248.00	672.00
RENEWAL DUES	0	336.00	256.00	672.00
DONATIONS, GENERAL	387.00	600.00	93.57	0.00
DONATIONS, RESEARCH	<u>816.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>89.00</u>	<u>400.00</u>
<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	<b>\$1959.00</b>	<b>\$1692.00</b>	<b>\$996.57</b>	<b>\$2164.00</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>				
POSTAGE & P.O. BOX	\$111.28	\$175.00	\$444.68	\$746.00
STATIONERY	112.11	250.00	299.00	0.00
PRINTING	27.91	347.00	349.22	633.00
VIRGINIA RESEARCH	200.00	300.00	0.00	200.00
N. CAROLINA RESEARCH	0.00	200.00	0.00	200.00
FAMILY SEAL & RIBBON	59.37	0.00	0.00	0.00
FAMILY EMBLEM	0.00	200.00	200.00	0.00
MISCELLANEOUS	<u>66.45</u>	<u>220.00</u>	<u>160.77</u>	<u>385.00</u>
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$557.12</b>	<b>\$1692.00</b>	<b>\$1453.67</b>	<b>\$2164.00</b>
<b>NET WORTH</b>	<b>\$1381.88</b>	<b>\$1381.88</b>	<b>\$894.75</b>	<b>\$1381.88</b>

### Corporate Status

Form 1023, Application for Recognition of Exemption has been submitted to the Internal Revenue Service to exempt the association from paying federal income tax. Assuming approval, the association will still be required to file a form 990, Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax. Application was also made for Employer Identification number on Form SS-4.

## Secretary's Summary

### Membership

During the first year the Association had 45 basic or family memberships. Several of these came in the closing hours of the year. Another 30 have been added this year with several more expected. Membership renewal has been very good, particularly since we did not send out renewal notices (a problem will be corrected in the future). There are presently five members whose dues are in arrears, but it is expected their failure to renew was caused by the lack of notification—a notice will be sent to them. No members were dropped from membership or denied service during this period of confusion. Bylaws will be considered at the

annual meeting that will define the circumstances under which a member will be dropped from the active list after failure to renew his dues.

### Expansion and Publicity

Much has been learned this year as work continued on making the Association's presence known to Missouri Alford, and as efforts were made to get some publicity on the annual meeting. The first lesson learned was that both were more costly than expected, as can be seen in the financial report. Because of the considerable cost in the Missouri effort, a hold was placed on the Mississippi expansion. It has been concluded, by some at least, that the

expansion effort and the publicity for the annual meetings should be one and the same project. This was accomplished to a degree this year by issuing news releases as well as combining information about the annual meeting in letters to Missouri and Georgia residents. (See "Publicity Blitz," p. 4)

It will be suggested at the annual meeting that each year expansion and publicity be concentrated on the state in which the Association plans to meet, and that it be handled by a standing committee.

Nancy T. Alford  
AAFA Secretary

## From the Genealogist's Desk

### Ancestor Tables

Many association members have received the first version of the computerized ancestor tables being prepared for all members. These early products were prepared using ancestor charts members sent to Gil Alford over the past several years. Most have little or no information about ancestral lines of those other than Alford.

The expanded tables being prepared will list all ancestors known to the member. Once all the pedigree charts are in, Gil and the computer will make a master list of ancestors. It will be distributed to the membership either through the newsletter or by special mailing, and each member will receive a printout of their particular chart.

Those of you who have not submitted

an updated pedigree chart, please do so and include all lines as far back as you can. If you need forms let Gil know. Those who have marked up their original printouts should soon be receiving the revised charts.

We hope that by making this information available to all the members that some of you will find connections other than your Alford which will ultimately lead to more Alford information.

A partial copy of my ancestor table is included on page 16 of this issue so you can see what is being done.

### Publications with Alford Content

There must be millions of genealogical books in print and even millions more that are out of print. Almost every one is a prospect for Alford

information. It is not intended that we would ever attempt to acquire even small percentage of these books, but working together we ought to be able to extract the content of many of them. Gil Alford and I have gotten together and have assembled a fair collection of Alford references, but there must be much more that you can add. If you have, or discover, Alford references which you have not sent to Gil or me, please extract the information (copy pages if possible) and send to me. Please include either a copy of the title page or all pertinent bibliographic data. We are maintaining a computerized list of the references we have and have started another list of the references which looked promising but contained no Alford information. Information from members on references like these would also be helpful.

Nancy Alford Dietrich  
AAFA Genealogist-Historian

## AAFA Annual Meeting

The first AAFA Annual Meeting will be held on Saturday, Oct. 15, 1988, at

The Guest Quarters  
111 Perimeter Center  
Atlanta, Georgia  
800/424-2900

Although an RSVP was requested by September 15, if you find that you are able to attend but didn't make the deadline, contact Gil Alford. The Association officers especially hope that those members who live in the Atlanta area will join them.

The subjects listed below will be on the agenda for discussion. Members who would like to add to the following subjects should send their suggestions to the corporate address (POB 1586, Florissant, MO 63032)

- 1989 Meeting
- 1989 Officers

- Review of Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws
- Review of registration fee and annual dues
- Review of membership requirements
- Research projects
- Expansion and publicity efforts
- Budget review and adjustment
- Publications with Alford content
- AAFA records and library
- Alford cemeteries

### 1989 Officers

Gil Alford, as the registered corporate state agent, is not an elected officer. With his computer operation and extensive files he acts as the executive assistant, which is also not an elective office. Gil has indicated that he plans to make a motion at the annual meeting that all the present officers serve again in 1989. In this early stage of organization the Association

is still very fragile. Election of different officers and the transfer of responsibilities from one person (and city or state) to another would be most disruptive and counter-productive at this time. Providing him your views on this matter will permit Gil to present the matter more objectively at the meeting.

### Future Meeting Places

It is expected that the location of future meetings will be determined by a combination of Alford population and participation. The table on the following page provides a general overview from information presently available.

If you would like to see the Association meet in your state, you can increase the possibility by getting folks of your state to join AAFA!

## Publicity Blitz

On September 1, AAFA began a publicity campaign to gain recognition for the Association, attract new members, and inform genealogical societies of our existence.

AAFA President Lodwick Alford sent a letter to 203 Missouri Alford households. It began, "I greet you as a cousin for I'm sure that if we trace our ancestors back far enough we will find that we are kin." After describing our organization, it said "that since we were a Missouri Corporation it seemed only fitting to give the Alfords living in Missouri an opportunity to become founding members."

At his own expense, Gil Alford, AAFA Executive Assistant, sent a

letter to 40 Georgia Alfords, many who had heard from us in a previous mailing. Taking advantage of the fact that the annual meeting is to be held in Atlanta, Gil encouraged them once again to become members and invited them to attend the meeting.

Both letters offered the assistance of AAFA to anyone who might request it, now or later.

### News Releases

On September 6, two news releases went out, one to 230 Missouri papers and another to all of the 139 Georgia papers as well as 134 genealogical columnists nationwide, some with syndicated columns in many papers

The Missouri news release, titled "Alfords Getting Organized," described the Association, its purposes and resources, and offered a founding membership to all Missouri Alfords or descendants. The Association hopes that more descendants whose names are not Alford will be reached through the newspaper.

The Georgia release, titled "Alfords Meeting in Atlanta," began with a statement about the annual meeting and then also gave some background on AAFA. The wide distribution to genealogical columnists should generate some inquiries and hopefully new members.

Thanks to Gil and Wick for all their hard work on this project!

### *Distribution of Alford's by State*

State	Approximate Alford Population	AAFA Family Memberships	On Gil Alford's Mailing List
TEXAS	1250	10	52
FLORIDA	650	4	18
CALIFORNIA	600	4	39
N. CAROLINA	560	5	19
LOUISIANA	540	9	52
MISSISSIPPI	460	9	28
GEORGIA	385	5	46
ALABAMA	375	1	10
S. CAROLINA	350	1	6
OHIO	260	1	4
TENNESSEE	250	2	12
NEW YORK	250	0	3
KENTUCKY	245	0	8
MISSOURI	205	2	11
INDIANA	200	1	4
MICHIGAN	200	0	4
ILLINOIS	185	1	7
VIRGINIA	170	4	11
OKLAHOMA	130	2	4
ARKANSAS	120	2	5
PENN.	105	1	8
MARYLAND	90	2	10
OREGON	90	1	19
NEW JERSEY	90	0	1
COLORADO	80	1	2
WASHINGTON	75	3	13
KANSAS	75	0	9
ARIZONA	60	0	5
MASS.	55	0	2
W. VIRGINIA	55	0	3
CONN.	40	1	3
NEW MEX.	35	1	4
WISCONSIN	35	0	1
MINNESOTA	30	0	2
UTAH	20	0	3
IDAHO	15	0	1
IOWA	15	0	4
MONTANA	10	0	1
ALASKA	10	1	1
N. DAKOTA	4	0	1
MAINE	4	0	1
VERMONT	2	1	1

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

Another point to consider as we prepare for and attend the meeting—we don't want the planning and organizational work for this meeting, as well as the details of administering the Association during the year, to detract from our primary purposes. These administrative details are only a means to an end, so let's not get preoccupied with the means and forget the end.

It will help if we can spread and share the work load of administrative and organizational tasks. In preparing for this meeting, I have asked various members to serve on committees or perform specific tasks. Because of time constraints, some of these appointments were made without prior consultation with the individual concerned. For this I apologize and assure everyone that normal procedure in the future will be prior contact.

Stop the presses! I just thought of another reason why you should come to the meeting in Atlanta. I am curious as the devil as to what you look like! Seriously, I am looking forward to seeing you—hope you can make it.

Lodwick H. Alford  
AAFA President

A Belated  
Happy 100th Birthday  
to  
Mrs. Allie Jane Alford  
Bullock

Allie Bullock has the honor of being the oldest living Alford known to our Association. Her birthday was in July, and she lives at the Golden Age Nursing Home in Denham Springs, LA. Thank you to AAFA member Haidee Reeves for telling us about this Alford centenarian!

## History of Missouri Alford

Missouri was made a territory in 1812 and a state in 1821. A census taken in 1820 showed the territory had 66,586 persons, including 10,222 slaves.

### Early Alford

The first records of Alford in Missouri came in the 1830 Census when George G. and Allen E. Alford were enumerated in New Madrid Co., 19 years after the strongest earthquake ever to hit the United States occurred in the area without a single loss of life. There is an early published account of George G.'s son, General George F. Alford, of Dallas, Texas, that contains the following:

"... General Alford was born August 4, 1836, in the ancient Spanish pueblo of New Madrid (MO). The building owned by his father in which General Alford first saw the light of day, was once the royal palace of the viceroy of Spain. On the day of his birth, and for some months prior, his father, the late General George G. Alford, lay a prisoner of war, in a Mexican dungeon in Matamoras, Mexico, from which he was, with his brother Major Johnson H. Alford, soon after released, by command of his powerful personal friend, General Andrew Jackson, then president of the United States, who threatened to declare war and invade Mexico unless these prisoners were at once delivered, unharmed, to the Texan authorities at San Antonio. They were captured on the brigantine Julius Caesar by the blockading fleet off Galveston. As soon as released, General Alford, who was quartermaster general of the Texan army, obtained leave of absence from President Sam Houston, returned to Missouri, and moved his family, including the subject of this sketch, and all his numerous slaves, to another very old Spanish Pueblo,

later Texas, first settling at Nacogdoches, Texas, moving to Crockett, the county seat of Houston county. Gen. George G. Alford, for many years judge, died at Crockett, full of honors, April 1, 1847, preceded by his estimable wife, Mrs. Ann Barfield Alford, February 10, 1847. George F. Alford, then 10 years of age, with his doubly orphaned brothers and sisters, was then sent back to New Madrid



and put to school; but he soon became impatient of restraint, inured as he was to wild frontier freedom, and at the tender age of 12, when the average American boy was holding tenaciously to his mother's apron strings, this typical Texan boy found his way to the Indian tribes of the far western wilds, where he remained nearly three years, adopting their language, costume and customs, and acquiring their skill and endurance in the chase and woodcraft. At the age of 14 he again became restless, and the desire for further adventure became so irresistible that he left the Indians with whom he had been so long happily associated and his dusky little sweetheart, Li-quot- qu-esh-oos-ta-ha-nah-la, and started with a single pony across the trackless plains—thousands of miles—for the new Eldorado of California. The journey consumed six months, from April 19 to October 16, through hostile tribes of Indians. . . . Six years later, young Alford returned to Texas with a princely fortune for a boy not yet 20 years of age; started a commercial business in Palestine, Texas, with his elder brother, Hulbert M. Alford, in 1856, and on February 16, 1857, he

was married to Miss Annie Marie Maulsby. She was the acknowledged belle of Southeast Missouri. . . ."

### 1840 Missouri Census

There were six Alford families listed in the 1840 Census of Missouri: Joshua H. in Jefferson Co., Planean or Pleney in St. Louis, Laudey (Alford) in Buchanan Co., Victoria in New Madrid, John C. in Lewis Co., and Peyton (Alfred) in Pike Co. So far we have been unable to learn any details of these persons and their families. In 1850 there were 21 Alford (Alfred) "households" as follows: Jefferson Co., Adaline; New Madrid Co., Albert, Emma, George, George F., Harriet, and M. D.; Ralls Co., Catherine, James H., and John; St. Louis, Charles Sr., Pleney, William, Charles H. (Alfred), Henry (Alfred), and Els (?) (Alfred); LaFayette Co., John A. and Thomas; Lewis Co., Nancy and Sidney Alford; and in Cooper Co., Patsey (Alfred). A study of the New Madrid Co. families disclosed that all were young folks. Albert and Emma, apparently siblings, were living with the John H. Wacker family. Albert, age 8, and Emma, age 4, were born in Texas. M. D. Alford was a student, but the record was so poor as to be useless. Harriett was age 19, and her record was also illegible. George F. was a clerk, appeared to be age 20, and the other George was age 26 and born in Missouri. He was living with John and Sarah Till and if the census is correct he would have been born in MO in 1824, making him the first Missouri-born Alford known to date. Research is continuing on the other Alford in the 1850 Census. Considerable information is available in our files on Missouri Alford of 1880, 1900, and 1910.

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## From the Southern States

One of the larger Missouri Alford clans is that which settled in Dallas Co. about 1854. John M. and Orlando Dixon Alford, sons of John and Jane McElhattan Alford, were the settlers who moved from Tennessee. Many of the Alford in southwest Missouri belong to this clan.

In the early 1830's, Thomas Alford, born in Virginia in 1802, along with his son Russell Alford, who was born in 1824 in Tennessee, settled temporarily in Chariton Co., Missouri, while their family was en route to Oregon. Thomas had nineteen children and three wives.

Another Thomas Alford, born about 1811 in VA, and his wife Malinda Miller Fife Alford, moved to Lexington, LaFayette Co., Missouri, about 1840 with Thomas' brother John Alford. William Alford, born 1803 in NC, and his wife Jane moved to Wright Co. Missouri, about 1856-57.

At least some of the Ralls Co. Alford came from Kentucky, and the Oregon Co. clan originated in Tennessee. One of the St. Louis families of 1880 came from England (and his wife from Ireland), and a Marion Co. family came from Illinois.

## The Civil War

By the time of the Civil War there were many Alford in Missouri, a state with a most interesting Civil War history. As early as 1818, when application was made for statehood, there was controversy as to whether or not slavery should be permitted in Missouri. Many settlers were from the southern states, and they wanted Missouri to come in as a slave state, but the U.S. Congress opposed that.

The issue was settled, temporarily at least, with the Missouri Compromise, in which Missouri was admitted as a slave state in return for Maine's admission as a free state. However, the controversy continued through the Civil War, leading to divided loyalties in the state. Although in many parts of

Missouri the sentiment was strongly in favor of secession, in 1861 the state convention refused to commit the state to secession. Within a few months after the outbreak of the war the greater part of Missouri was under the control of the Federal forces. Governor Claiborne Jackson declared the state out of the Union, and Confederate forces were assembled in the southwestern part of the state. By the beginning of 1862 the Confederates held nearly half of the state, but their strength gradually waned.

Missouri furnished 108,773 troops to the United States during the Civil War, and more than 50,000 to the Confederate army, keeping the state's quota full without draft or enforced enlistment—not merely in one but in both armies, a record unequalled among the States North or South. As we learn more about Missouri Alford of this period, it will be interesting to see how they were involved in this confusing situation.

Gil Alford  
AAFA Executive Assistant

## Virginia Research Project

The Virginia research project has been put on hold until the membership has a chance to discuss direction at the annual meeting. The feedback I've received has been about evenly divided between the membership doing more preliminary research with film from the Virginia archives and the LDS library before hiring another professional.

The problem with trying to do it ourselves is getting enough members to help so the project can be completed in a reasonable amount of time. Also the Virginia archives will not sell copies of its microfilm to individuals. They only sell to libraries. If we try

to set up an Alford family library and research center, I don't know if it would qualify or not, but I doubt it.

If we decide to hire another professional, then the time frame to be searched and the focus counties



should be spelled out so that whomever we hire will have clear direction. A selection committee should be appointed at the annual meeting.

The problem, no matter which way we go, is the burned counties. So many of the early Alford lived in counties where the records were burned, with no or very few surviving records. An example is New Kent County, which has only one small fragment of records left, and they are housed in the Huntington Library in California.

The members might want to consider working more on North Carolina and from there working back into Virginia.

Nancy Dietrich  
AAFA Genealogist

## The AAFA Badge

The recently approved Alford American Family Association emblem was designed by Jim Haynsworth of Haynsworth and Haynsworth Advertising/Design in Columbia, SC. Mr. Haynsworth researched the use of badges, or emblems, as well as various Alford coats of arms in order to incorporate the most common elements of Alford heraldry into our badge.

Unless you are very familiar with heraldry, you may not fully appreciate the meaning of the AAFA badge without some background information, provided by both Mr. Haynsworth and printed sources.

The badge is actually older than the heraldic shield. Badges "closely resembling the devices of modern coats have been borne on the shields of warriors, as decorations or badges of distinction, from the very earliest ages. But armorial coats . . . were not in general use until much later, and it is only in comparatively modern times that they have become hereditary." [Eugene Zieber, *Heraldry in America*. (New York: Crown Publishers, 1984, reprint of 1909 ed.), p. 9]

It was (and is) used as a symbol of identification, not only by the nobility, but also by servants and followers. It is the proper symbol for use by members of a group who want to declare their relationship and allegiance to one another. A coat of arms, on the other hand, is actually the property of an individual, for his own use, and was originally granted by some proper authority.

Many badges have become famous, particularly the Red Rose of Lancaster and the White Rose of York. When Henry VII of Lancaster married Elizabeth of York in 1486, their badges were combined into the Tudor

Rose, the royal badge of England, to symbolize the union of their two houses.

Mr. Haynsworth's intention was to design a badge which would include a couple of the most common charges, or figures, found on Alford coats of arms. Josiah George Alford's *Alford*



*Family Notes, Ancient and Modern* (London: Phillimore and Co., 1908), contains illustrations of several coats of arms borne by different branches of the Alford family.

An article entitled "Alford Coat-of-Arms" by Mabel Louise Keech appeared in the October, 1944, edition of *Hobbies—The Magazine for Collectors*. This article briefly discusses some of the coats of arms in Josiah Alford's book (see next page for numbered illustrations). Referring to #6, Keech says, "This is the one to which the New England families are eligible." She goes on to discuss the shields bearing pears, saying that they were "used by those seated in Sussex, Hertfordshire, and London. . . . Connection of any American family with the Sussex, York, Hertfordshire families using the Arms with the pears, has not been proved by this author."

Heraldry has its own vocabulary, and

each part of a coat of arms has significance and/or symbolism. In describing #4, Keech says, "According to ancient heraldic authorities, apples, pears, and similar fruits denote liberality, felicity and peace. But there must have been some special meaning attached to this odd design—some family story, cherished by its members, but not recorded in printed books." She does not say why she thought the design was odd. Pears are at least common enough to rate an entry in Zieber's glossary: "Pear. Borne with stem *in chief*." *In chief* refers to anything borne in the top, or chief, part of the shield. Sinceneither these pears nor any of the pears in Josiah Alford's coats of arms are in the top part, perhaps that is why Keech considered the design odd.

This particular shield (#4) is described in the records as having a gold chief, with gold pears on a red background in the lower part of the shield. Keech says, "Colors represent the personal characteristics of the original bearer, granted only if he were considered worthy. Red signifies courage and magnanimity; gold, generosity and elevation of mind." Alford traits, as we all know!

The crest on both #2 and #4 is a boar's head. Keech says, "The token of hospitality, the boar's head was often carried to a banquet table on a silver platter, in olden days in England." Zieber's glossary says that the boar must always be the wild boar with its tusks and is always borne in profile.

The crescent borne *in chief* in #1 is called a Mark of Cadency, which is a device added to arms to distinguish different members and branches of families. The crescent indicates the second son. [Zieber, p. 300]

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Mr. Haynsworth's design for the AAFA badge includes the pear, which is certainly a common charge on the illustrated examples. In color our pear is reddish gold with green leaves.

Apparently he had access to examples of other Alford coats of arms which showed the other element of his design, the fret. A fret (frette) is one of the "ordinaries" or figures which rest upon the shield. They "derive their name from their ordinary or frequent use. They may have origi-

nated from the strips of wood or metal fastened upon the shield to add to its strength. . . ." [Zieber, p. 258] They can be "argent and sable" or white and black. Argent, the French word for silver, can be white or silver in heraldry.

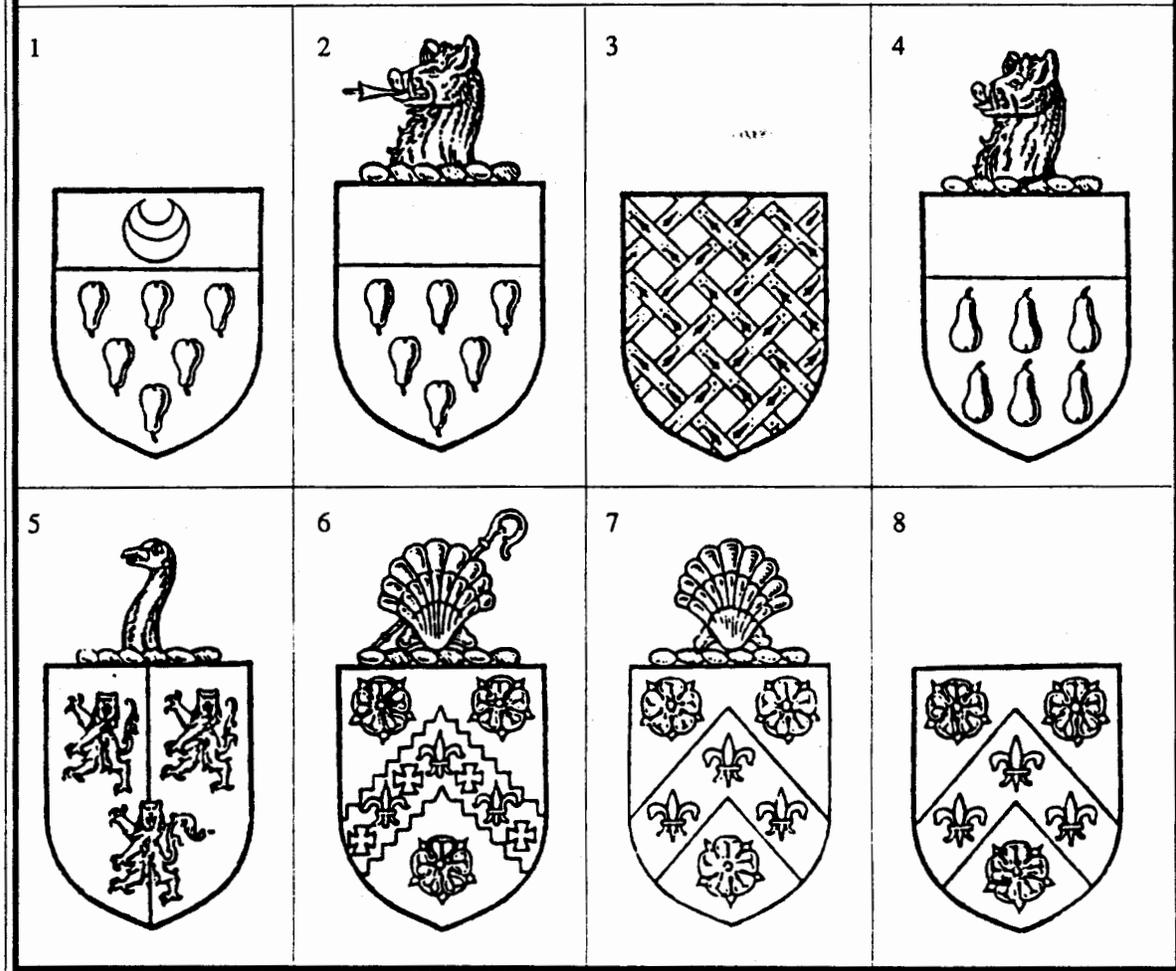
A fret is composed of two diagonal stripes interlacing with and crossing at the center of a mascle. A mascle is a lozenge represented as having a lozenge-shaped hole at the center, supposed by some to represent the mesh of a net and by others to represent spots in certain flints found

in Brittany. A lozenge is a four-cornered, diamond shaped figure, said to represent a pane of glass in old casements. [Zieber, p. 262] In color, the fret in the AAFA badge is silver.

Mr. Haynesworth completed the design with an endless chain to symbolize the group itself and its familial associations. In color, this chain is gold. At Gil Alford's suggestion, the badge has been encircled with the name of our Association and the year of its founding.

Pamela Thompson  
Publications Editor

### Historical Alford Coats of Arms From Josiah Alford's Alford Family Notes



## The R.L. and Hilda Alford Story

Several of you sent copies of clippings concerning a Florida Alford family which was given national attention recently because of a call from President Reagan. A longer version of this article, which was prepared from R. L.'s letter and several different news articles, appeared in *About Alford's*, but for the benefit of those who do not subscribe to it, it will be printed again.

R. L. and Hilda Clemmons, high-school classmates and childhood sweethearts who went to church together, were married September 14, 1956, in Blountstown, Calhoun Co., Florida. On Sunday, July 21, 1957, not even a year later, they were en route from their apartment to church in Alameda, CA, where R. L. was serving at the U. S. Naval Air Station. A Coast Guard ambulance ran a stop sign and broadsided their 1953 Chevy. Hilda, 19 at the time, was thrown from the car, striking her head on the pavement and fracturing her skull. It first seemed that Hilda would suffer no permanent damage; however, within a few days a blood clot the size of an orange formed in her head and cut off circulation to the brain. After surgery, it was clear that Hilda would never see or have complete use of her hands again. Although she can move her arms and legs, she has no control over them.

R. L. adapted to his wife's needs immediately. Hilda spent the next seven months in the hospital and R. L., who had been assigned light duty by the Navy, spent as much time with her as possible. Hilda drifted in and out of consciousness for a couple of months but it wasn't until she had fully recovered that she was able to recognize folks. She could holler and make sounds but not talk. She and R. L. developed signs and with great patience she could communicate some

words by spelling. Today she communicates with short slurred syllables and guttural sounds which R. L. frequently must interpret. R. L. says Hilda never tires of having to repeat herself over and over, even it means spelling out words with her hands. When Hilda was able to go home from the hospital, R. L. worked the night shift so that he could spend days with her.

In 1959 when R. L.'s time in the Navy was up they returned to Blountstown. They had both grown up on a farm, so they bought a few acres south of town. R. L. tried his hand at farming but over the years would decide to move back to town. They discussed adopting children and finally decided to try having their own children. Five years after the accident Hilda gave birth to a son. They named him Jonathan, meaning a gift from God. Three and a half years later they had a girl, Juanice. Hilda said, "I intended to have a girl before I quit. When they told me I had a girl, I cried." R. L. kids folks that he was "the only man in America who carried two babies full-term." He said he literally carried Hilda in and out of the hospital and to the doctor during her pregnancies. R. L. said that even though Hilda could not take care of the children herself, she was a good manager and offered advice whenever a problem arose. Hilda said, "They never went dirty."

According to R. L. the children had to adjust to a different type of upbringing and were deprived of some things, but he and Hilda made up for it in other ways. Jonathan, a graduate of Florida State University, said it was not until recent years that he fully appreciated what his parents accomplished.

"I never realized how tough it was

until I got older and could look back," Jonathan said. "Most days it seemed pretty normal because that is all we had ever really known. We didn't have anything to compare it to."

The most difficult time he remembers is when he and Juanice would come straight home from school to take care of their mother while his father went to work. "We couldn't get out and socialize as much as the other kids," Jonathan said.

"But I think it made us all stronger because of all the situations and ordeals we've had to go through. It's been a good life all in all; I can't really complain about anything."

Juanice, now in her early twenties, lives in Tallahassee and visits her parents on weekends. Juanice said she wouldn't have wanted her growing-up years to be any different. "I wouldn't trade it for anything," she said. "I think it's made us better people. They're just the most important people in the world to me."

"These kids grew up eating Daddy's cooking," R. L. chuckled. R. L. tried his hand at a lawn-care business and later became a Texaco distributor, but decreasing business and increasing demands of the family ended that. When he did work they had a housekeeper who would also help with Hilda, and then he took care of her nights. He has tried his hand at other part time work but his schedule is just too demanding as Hilda requires constant care and she is not satisfied with help from anyone but R. L. He has to do everything for her, bathe her, dress her, feed her, carry her and help hold her up as she cannot sit without support. When Hilda was younger she could spend hours in a

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wheelchair and they would visit other shut-ins, go shopping or attend church functions. As she has grown older, however, it has become more difficult for her to sit up for long periods of time. Although impaired she is alert and understands what is said and what is going on around her.

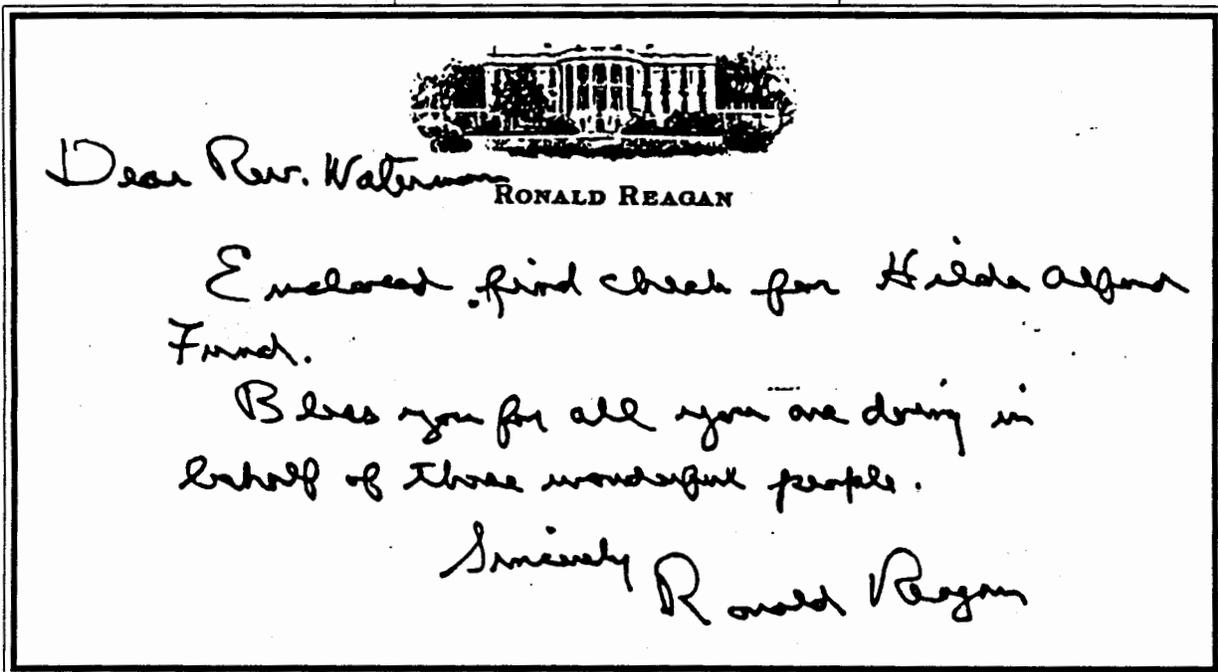
"She doesn't go many places anymore," Jonathan said. "It's almost like an event to get her to go any-

the seizures have since subsided. The Florida Department of Rehabilitative Services and Developmental Services has been able to pay for some of Hilda's medicine and help with some of the care.

After this brush with financial disaster, the family's church, The First Church of the Nazarene in Blountstown realized their plight and established a "Hilda Alford Fund." The fund raising effort got the attention of local newspapers and TV

People don't take their vows so seriously these days. I did. I meant every word."

As one who is seldom at a loss for words I hate to admit that studying these various accounts of the Alford's has left me speechless. What love. What dedication. What perseverance. What devotion. As an Alford I am so proud to have learned of one with our name such as R. L. and his family. I hope that someday I'll be able to visit briefly with these great folks, but in



where, even if it's just down the street. It's too hard on her."

The family received a settlement of about \$200,000 after the accident but that was just enough to cover many of their medical bills and not enough to cover normal expenses and bills. The settlement was exhausted years ago, and they have been unable to get insurance.

About 18 months ago Hilda started having problems with her medication which prevented seizures, and she began to hallucinate and became depressed. She was hospitalized, and

stations. The situation was brought to the attention of President Reagan, who at Christmas 1987 made a substantial contribution to the "Hilda Alford Fund." The note he included with his check is reprinted above. President Reagan also phoned R. L. to commend him for the job he had done for thirty years in caring for his wife and raising his children. Having received the President's attention, their story made the news services and was published all over the country.

R. L. says, "I'm in it for keeps, I know she'd have done this for me.

the meantime I'm happy we have made contact through correspondence. R. L., Hilda, Jonathan and Juanice have accomplished what few would dare undertake.

Those who would like to make some contribution to the "Hilda Alford Fund" should make their checks payable to the fund and send it to the Church of the Nazarene, Blountstown, FL 32424.

Gil Alford  
AAFA Executive Assistant

## Alford Brothers in West Florida

Mrs. Lena Chesnut sent a newspaper article about an Alford family in Florida to Gil Alford on Oct. 18, 1987, from an unnamed, undated paper. The following is from that article.

In the last decade of the 19th century, three Alford brothers moved into northwest Florida. They were John McRae, Sion Agustus, and William Chauncey, sons of Paisley and Martha (McRae) Alford. They were born in Marion County, SC, just across the state line from Robeson Co., NC, which had been the home of their ancestors for several generations.

### Robeson County, NC

The first Alford to settle in what was to become Robeson Co. was Jacob, their great-great grandfather, who moved there with his wife Mary (Pace) Alford in 1760. According to Kent Co., Virginia, records, he was born in 1737, the son of Lodowick and Susannah Alford.

Jacob Alford established the first Presbyterian church in the area near the Alfordville community on Ashpole Swamp. The original building was a log structure which was later replaced by a frame building. After it was destroyed by fire in 1850, a much larger church was erected on the site, and it stands today, lovingly restored and kept in repair. Jacob Alford and his wife, as well as many of his descendants, were buried in the cemetery there.

When John, Gus, and Chauncey Alford left their home in SC about 1888, they went to Bulloch Co., GA, to engage in the naval stores business. While the three young men were in GA, they married: Gus in 1890 to Mary Henry of Marion Co., SC; John,

whose first wife died in NC, to Leila Green; and Chauncey in 1895 to Nancy Dekle. Both Leila and Nancy were natives of Bulloch County.

### Northwest Florida

Hearing of the vast stands of virgin pines in northwest Florida, the brothers sent Chauncey, the youngest, prospecting in 1896. He settled first in northern Holmes County. His brothers soon followed, John to live in Hartford, Alabama, just across the state line from Chauncey, and Gus to settle in Chipley. They continued their naval stores operations in several locations in Holmes, Washington, and Jackson Counties, and prospered, first as the Alford Brothers Company and later with Consolidated Naval Stores, which had its headquarters in Jacksonville. The Alford Brothers Company was said to have been the largest producer of naval stores in the state.

Early in the 20th century, Chauncey moved to Jackson County, south of Marianna, to supervise operations there. The settlement which grew up near the railroad siding where the Alford Brothers loaded their products became the town of Alford. In 1913, Chauncey moved his growing family to Bonifay.

### Later Years

Soon after World War I, the naval stores industry began to decline and was no longer so profitable. Substitutes were found for the turpentine and rosin, used chiefly as caulking in shipbuilding, and it also became apparent that the supply of virgin pines was not inexhaustible. The Alford brothers then turned to other interests. Some of their later ventures, such as the Round Lake Satsuma

Company and the Chipley Packing Company, were unsuccessful.

John retired about 1920 and moved to DeFuniak Springs, where his younger children by his third wife, Sarah (Van Meter), were enrolled in the academy of Palmer College. He died there in 1928.

Gus turned to banking, lumbering, and life insurance, having been a vice-president of both the First National Bank of Chipley and the Chipley State Bank, a vice president of the Aycock Lumber Company, and a director of the Florida Life Insurance Company of Jacksonville. He died in Chipley in 1946.

Chauncey became a hardware merchant, a farmer, and a banker. He was at one time a vice president and director of the Bank of Bonifay and a director of the Dekle Lane Company of Marianna. In his later years he became interested in reforestation and was responsible for the planting of thousands of seedling pines on land which he owned or controlled. He died in Bonifay in 1938.

All three brothers were lifelong members of the Presbyterian Church and all three had served as elders in their respective churches.

### Descendants

Gus, who had eight children, all now deceased, has one grandson and four great-grandchildren living in Chipley. John, the father of six children, all deceased except one, has three grandchildren, two great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandchild living in Bonifay. Three of Chauncey's seven children are still living in Bonifay as well as a grandson and two great-grandchildren.

## Wakefield's Walking Cane

In 1770, James Lodwick and Susannah (Ross) Alford settled in a section of Granville Co., NC, which had been formed from Edgecombe County in 1746. This section was to become the eastern part of Wake Co., close to the Franklin County line, and became the town of Wakefield. An interesting legend has arisen about the founding of the town. According to Alford family traditions, the legend says that when Wake County was formed in 1771, the new boundaries took in the home of James Lodwick Alford and some of his newly acquired undeveloped property. On riding through the forests of his property on horseback, he stopped, got off his horse, cut a sapling, and said, "This will be my Wake Field." To honor the occasion, he had a walking cane made from the sapling. The origins of the legend and the whereabouts of the walking cane were subject to much conjecture until early 1914.

An article appearing in a 1914 edition of the *Raleigh Times* said: "Mr. G.B. Alford of Holly Springs, who was in the city yesterday was presented with a walking stick that is 150 years old, and which was the property of his Great Grandfather, Mr. James Lodwick Alford. It was presented by Mr. W.P. Robertson, who is a Great Great Grandson of the first owner of the stick. . . . The stick in question, which has a Deer Horn handle, is of Hickory, and was made from the first tree ever cut on the land on which Wakefield, Wake County, N.C. is now located. Mr. Alford then a land owner of a large tract of land lying in eastern Wake County, desired to establish a Negro Quarter, and upon arrival on the place, dismounted from his horse, and cut down a Hickory, and remarked, 'It may always be said that I was the first man to cut down a tree in Wakefield.' He made the stick which at his death, was left in charge

of his daughter, Delanie, who married a High, and at her death it became the property of John Andrew Green High. Upon his death, it became the property of his niece, Clara Ann Griffin, who gave it to her nephew, Mr. W.P. Robertson, sometime about 1875. Mr. Robertson, finding that Mr. Alford was closer kin, and of the same name, decided to present him with the stick. This he did in the office of the Register of Deeds yesterday afternoon."

At the death of George Benton Alford in 1924, the walking stick became the property of his son Green Haywood Alford III. This was done with the stipulation that if his son had no heirs, the stick was to be given to a cousin, Lodwick Houston Alford, who was born in 1914 shortly after the publicity about the stick and who was given the name Lodwick after his great-great grandfather James Lodwick Alford. Green Haywood Alford III had no heirs, and in 1977, two years before his death, he did give the walking cane to his cousin Lodwick H. Alford. It is now proudly displayed at his home on Sea Island, GA. The stick has a gold band with the following inscription: "1770 Wakefield James Lodwick Alford or Major Tanner Alford." (The mystery of why he was called Major Tanner is as yet unsolved.)

An article on this subject appears in *The Heritage of Wake County, North Carolina, 1983*, edited by Lynne Belvin and Harriette Riggs (Winston-Salem, NC: Wake Co. Genealogical Society with Hunter Publishing Company, 1983).

Lodwick H. Alford  
AAFA President

## AAFA Principal Member List

The following two pages contain a list of the principal members of The Alford American Family Association as of August 29, 1988. Members #60 to #75 have joined us this quarter—a big WELCOME!

This time the members are listed by their membership number. In the future, only new members will be listed, and once a year an alphabetical list will be published.

Along with the name and address of the member is the ultimate ancestor—the earliest Alford that has been identified. This ancestor's birth or death date and place is also given (year, month, date).

AAFA will soon have 100 members! As we grow, our ability to learn more about Alford's increases. Each new member adds more data to our genealogical files. Each new membership helps fund research and publishing efforts.

In addition to the Association's expansion efforts, you can conduct your own individual expansion campaign. Encourage your Alford relatives to join—their membership will help support our efforts and will increase their awareness and pride in the Alford name and history. Give an AAFA membership to your favorite Alford for Christmas. Help your family members learn about their heritage. JOIN AAFA!

When you check an index of records or books, look under the "O's". Many of us are finding that Alford's are often indexed under Olford, Ollford, and various other spellings in the "O's".

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0	DIETRICH	WILLIAM CARL	19250516	WI MILW MILWAUKEE	19650801	TX GALV GAVLESTON				
1	ALFORD	NANCY ANN	19390913	TX SHIT TYLER	19650801	TX GALV GAVLESTON				
2	ALFORD	EUGENE RAYMOND	18990801	TX NAVA	19331227	TS GREG LONGVIEW	19671227	TX HARR PASADENA	GRANDVIEW MEMO.	TX HARR PASADENA (near)
3	SHINN	ANNIE LEE	19060523	TX VANZ EDGEWOOD	19331229	TS GREG LONGVIEW				
4	ALFORD	WILLIAM THOMAS	18561227	SC MARL HUNTS BLUFF (near)	18901204	SC	19411028	TX HARR HOUSTON	CEDAR BAYOU	TX HARR
5	FERGUSON	AMELIA MAY	18720207	SC CHES	18901204	SC	19400410	TX NAVA CORSICANA	DAKWOOD	TX NAVA CORSICANA
6	SHINN	HARRIS BUSBY	18771010	AL WASH	19040626	TX VANZ	19471011	TX CHER JACKSONVILLE	MARVIN'S CHAPEL	TX VANZ
7	RUSSELL	VERNON ZORADA	18840620	TX VANZ	19040626	TX VANZ	19600329	TX SHIT TYLER	MARVIN'S CHAPEL	TX VANZ
8	ALFORD	WILLIAM BERRY	18231010	NC ROBE		SC ??	19020224	SC KERS CAMDEN	QUAKER	SC KERS CAMDEN
9	THOMAS	ANNA JANE	18301202	SC		SC ??	18970508	SC KERS CAMDEN (near)	QUAKER	SC KERS CAMDEN
10	FERGUSON	WILLIAM T.	18460116	SC CHES	18671204	SC CHES	19091103	TX NAVA		TX NAVA
11	MCFADDEN	NANCY REBECCA	18441223	SC CHES	18671204	SC CHES	19240114	TX NAVA CORSICANA		TX NAVA CORSICANA
12	SHINN	REUBEN THOMAS	18510611	AL	18721214	AL WASH	19330803	TX VANZ	CARTER	TX VANZ
13	LONG	SARAH ELIZABETH	18561116	AL WASH	18721214	AL WASH	19190926	TX VANZ	CARTER	TX VANZ
14	RUSSELL	CREIGHTON BUCHANAN	18251223	SC FAIR	18650606	TX RUSK	18960703	TX VANZ	MT. PISGAH	TX VANZ
15	MCDONAVID	HARRIET L. (ACKER)	18430105	SC	18650606	TX RUSK	19190805	TX VANZ	MT. PISGAH	TX VANZ
16	ALFORD	ELIAS	17791021	NC ROBE	18051120	NC ROBE	18580728	SC MARI (now Dillion Co.)	ASHPOLE	NC ROBE
17	HEDGEPATH	CHARITY	17870404	NC ROBE	18051120	NC ROBE	18560601	SC MARI (now Dillion Co.)	ASHPOLE	NC ROBE
18	THOMAS	ELI	17830121				18540822	SC MARL		
19	HANER	MARY	17980228	SC MAR?	18171123	SC MAR?	18450909	SC MAR?		
20	FERGUSON	JAMES HENRY	1813CA	SC CHES			18800512	SC CHES	EL BETHEL METH.	SC CHES
21	DUNLAP	SUSANNAH A.	18220316	SC			18530201	SC CHES	BURNT MEETING H	SC CHES
22	MCFADDEN	SAMUEL ECCLES	18050116	SC CHES	18270201	SC CHES	18560515	SC CHES	JORDAN FAMILY	SC CHES
23	CULP	ELIZABETH	18061115	SC CHES	18270201	SC CHES	18530710	SC CHES	JORDAN FAMILY	SC CHES
24	SHINN	THOMAS	18200124	NC CABA			18941020	TX VANZ	EDOM	TX VANZ EDOM
25	DEVLIN	ELIZA ANN	18300518				1851)			
26	LONG	JOHN BUSBY	182301	AL				AL		
27	EARLE	MARY ANANDA	1832CA							
28	RUSSELL	FORGUS MCDONNELL	18020713	SC FAI?	1820CA	SC FAIR	18700402	TX RUSK		
29	GLADNEY	MARY ANNE	1800	SC	1820CA	SC FAIR	18761226	TX RUSK		
30	ACKER	PETER NEWTON	18130424	SC	1840CA	SC	18810715	SC		SC
31	SHUNATE	HARRIET	1818	SC	1840CA	SC	1850	SC		SC
32	ALFORD	JACOB	17381212	VA NEWK ST. PETERS PARISH			179407	W NC ROBE ALFORDSVILLE	ASHPOLE PRESBY	NC ROBE
33	PACE	MARY	1740CA	NC BLAD			1792CA	NC ROBE ALFORDSVILLE	ASHPOLE PRESBY	NC ROBE
34	HEDGEPATH	BENJAMIN								
35		CHARITY								
36	THOMAS	ROBERT	1736E	MD ????	17561013		1817	SC MARI BRITTONS NECK (near)		
37	SANDS	MARY	17410202		17561013			SC MARL		
38	HANER	JOHN HICKS	17660315	NC ANSO	17910519		18420104	SC MARL		
39	COCHRAN	NANCY	17720715		17910519		18200325	SC MARL		
40	FERGUSON	WILLIAM GRAVES					1834	SC CHES		
41		ELIZABETH					1834	SC CHES		
42	DUNLAP	GEORGE					1839			
43	WHITE	ELIZABETH	17871215				18321116	SC	BURNT MEETING H	SC CHES
44	MCFADDEN	RALPH	17660703	SC CHES	17861228	SC CHES	18301122	SC CHES		
45	MCKINNEY	MARY	17671203	SC CHES	17861228	SC CHES	1856	SC CHES	BURNT MEETING H	SC CHES
46	CULP	JOHN	17750108	SC CHES	18030317	SC CHES	18540722	SC CHES	JORDAN FAMILY	SC CHES
47	JORDAN	SARAH	17880924	VA	18030317	SC CHES	18751020	SC CHES	JORDAN FAMILY	SC CHES