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Words from Wick

When my mother died in 1953, all nine of her children swore to meet every year on the anniversary of her death, to worship together in her Church, the Pinson Memorial Methodist in Sylvester, Worth County, Georgia, in memory of her and to celebrate her wonderful Christian life. We have been at it ever since. Some years some of us could not make it because of illness or in my case when I was on my ship in the Mediterranean or off the coast of Korea.

Some of you may know that my father sired 21 children, 17 of whom grew to maturity, by two wives, eight in the first bunch and nine by my mother. Some of the first group were quite young when my mother married and she is the mother most of them remembered. Anyhow none of us thought of each other or spoke of us as half brothers or sisters. We once even had a family sandlot baseball team! All 17 of us, our wives, children, grandchildren, uncles, aunts and cousins galore started to come to our annual April reunion in Sylvester. It gradually became known as the W.L.H. Alford Family Reunion and the Lucy Mell Alford Memorial. Some years we had as many as 125 attend, but in recent years attendance has seemed to slack off. I don't know when it peaked if it ever did.

Now let me explain—in Worth County there were three Alford families, my father and two of his older brothers who had come down to South Georgia from Wake County, NC after the Civil War. Also two of his sisters came down. Now the children (us) of the three Alford families were known as "The Alfords" (high society), "Those Alfords," and "them Alfords" (poor white trash). I give you one guess that I was in the last category which I choose to describe as genteel poverty. "Those Alfords" moved to Florida about turn of the century and did not cause any trouble. Over the years we occasionally got one or two of "The Alfords" to attend our reunions in Sylvester. But mind you there was never any animosity. It was that the families were not very close, a lot of them moved far away and most of "The Alfords" died out. Only two of the surname remain and neither of them have male children.

Now only four of my mother's children remain. All the first bunch are gone, and for some time now we have been apprehensive that after all of us are gone the Alford Family Reunion in Sylvester would die out. Last April 21st when we met at 10:30 a.m. for the church service, the crowd seemed unusually small. Some of us muttered to each other, "Uh oh! this is what we have been afraid of—the reunion will die out."

But when we got down to the civic center where we have barbecue and zillions of good things to eat, the crowd was bigger than ever. A lot of them come from such distances it is hard for them to get to the church by 10:30. We were glad they got there at any time. But some of us hypocrites could not resist remarking that those who needed it most did not get to the church on time. Isn't that just like us Alfords?

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Editorial Odds and Ends

By Pam Thompson, Editor

If all goes according to plan, this issue is arriving in your mail box fairly soon after you received the Spring issue. I hope you'll agree that the recent delays have been worthwhile—both the Winter and Spring issues were larger than usual and so took a long time to prepare. In order to keep my work load manageable, I've been aiming for about 60 pages per issue, but we've had so much material lately!

In an effort to get *AAFA ACTION* back on schedule, we are skipping New Member Lineages this quarter. If your membership number is after #810, you'll see your lineage published in the next issue—or later if you haven't gotten information back to Gil Alford by the time we go to press.

If you've sent something for publication but haven't seen it yet, don't give up! Submissions that are delivered electronically get my first priority because they're ready to format—no typing! If they're not typed, they need additional handling that I don't always have time for: find a typist, xerox the material, send it—or type it myself. But eventually I print nearly everything that crosses my desk.

I'm making an effort to geographically distribute the contents of each issue, but sometimes a member provides masses of data from one particular state. If you haven't seen much from your area and you want to see more, you're probably not alone—so contribute! Visit a local genealogical library and see what "Alford" information you can find, specific to your area, that we haven't published yet. Visit your county courthouse and copy the land records index for "Alfords"—see the example in "Autauga County, Alabama, Alfords" in this issue. While you're there, check for wills and

probate records.

Are you on line yet? Many of us are, and the e-mails are flying! To get a list of members with electronic mail addresses, send a message to member Cecil.Alford@cerl.gatech.edu. I am now receiving almost all the text for *AAFA ACTION* via e-mail. Aside from e-mail, there is a lot of genealogical information on the Net—we're downloading the Alford information as fast as it appears so we can share it in the quarterly. (Every other interest and hobby you can imagine is there as well.) And don't forget to visit AAFA's home page at <http://www.alford.com/alford/aafa/aafa2.html>. It's still under construction, but we have big plans!

You might notice a couple of new items in this issue. Bobby Alford, AAFA #669, has given us permission to reprint his book about the Alfords of Lawrence County, Tennessee—the first installment starts on page 58. We won't be reprinting it entirely though, so if you want a full copy, be sure to order one from him. We're also starting "Photo Corner," where we'll print a current photo even if it wasn't "in the news." Be sure to write a brief article to go with it. Thanks to our first contributor, Harold Alford AAFA #227, whose photo and write-up gave me the idea!

Good news: Dogwood Printing has informed us that "the mill that makes our paper has converted from acid base preparation to alkaline base, and our paper is now pH neutral."

Do you know any inactive AAFA members? Let them know that we really miss them and would love to have them back. Every AAFA member is important to the Association—and we especially don't want to lose any because they forgot to renew! ♦

Marshall Alford of Winston Co., AL, 1905–1996

By Robin Alford Sterling, AAFA #320

[Marshall Alford was my grandfather Owen's older brother and a brother to my Aunt Myrtie. Some of the information below is from articles which appeared in Winston County newspapers; the other is from first hand knowledge.]

Lifelong Alabama resident Isaiah Marshall Alford was born 29 Oct 1905 to John Warren Alford and Amy Cleopatra Tidwell. He was the grandson of Alexander Marshall Alford, the first Alford to settle near Houston in Winston County, Alabama. He was the great-grandson of Spire Warren Alford, [the subject of the Missing Grave articles (*AAFA ACTION* Sep and Dec 1990)]; and the great-great-grandson of Zaddock Alford.

Owen (left) and Marshall Alford in Texas on what used to be their great-grandfather Spire Alford's land, looking for his grave in 1987.

Marshall Alford was married to Emma Speer (known to the family as "Emmer") on 22 Sept 1928 and had three children: Billie Dean Alford Wilson, John Warren "Buddy" Alford, and Brenda Kay Alford Martin. Marshall moved to Mobile, Alabama in the early 1930s and carried the mail on a route in that area from 1932 to 1936. In 1937, after he had saved enough money, he returned to Houston and bought the 120 acre farm and store which formerly belonged to Will Rowe. Later, he became postmaster of Houston and served in that capacity for 37 years until he retired. In addition to running the Post Office, Marshall raised cattle and helped run a sawmill. He was known for his love of dogs, children, gardening, fishing, and green Chevrolet pickup trucks. Marshall is said to have loved children, and tolerated adults. He was fiercely independent and opinionated, but at the same time hardworking, playful, and kind.

Emma Speer (who died in 1976) was a sister to the famous singing Tom Speer of the nationally known Speer Family gospel singers. Other members of the Speer family included Brock, Rose Nell, Mary Tom, and Ben. Tom Speer was raised near Houston, and Marshall attended music school Tom taught in 1914. For many years, Marshall served as the master of ceremonies for the Speer Family Memorial singing, held at Houston each September.

He was sometimes referred to as "The Marshall of Houston." He ran the post office out of an old two story building built in 1907 which also served as a country store. The Masonic Order met upstairs. Marshall use to tell the area children they raised wild goats upstairs to try and keep out the inquisitive. He later built a small cinder block building next door on his own land and leased it to the Federal Government as the

Carrying a paper bag containing flowers instead of a box, Marshall made his annual visit to the Pleasant Hill cemetery on First Sunday in May, 1986.

official U.S. Post Office for Houston. Marshall didn't have to count each penny he took in for stamps, because he knew how much 500 pennies weighed. In the late 1960s when I was collecting old pennies, he'd use his postal scales to measure out 500 pennies. He would then put them in the smallest paper "poke" he had—the kind you use to get penny candy in—and I'd swap him a five dollar bill my mother gave me.

Marshall was very aware of the place his family had in history. His grandfather, Alexander, volunteered for the Confederacy in Georgia when he was 15 years old. Alexander served in Company D of the 37th District Georgia Militia. Marshall also said his grandfather Isaiah Pinkney Tidwell

(from whom Marshall received his first name) fought in the Civil War. Alexander Alford married Frances Shank in 1874. Marshall told me some of the Shank sons (Frances' brothers) would occasionally leave Georgia and come to the wilderness of what later would become the Bankhead National Forest to hunt for game. They liked the area well enough to move their families from the Troup County, Georgia area to Winston County in the 1870s. Family tradition has it they traveled in a steer wagon. They crossed the Sipsey River at Partridge Mill Ford, and settled on what is now known as Island Ford, U.S. Forest Service Picnic Ground road. The Alfords and Shanks appear on the 1880 Federal Census for Winston Co., AL.

Marshall knew his great-grandfather, Spire Warren Alford, died and was buried near Daingerfield, Texas. Over a 50 year period beginning about the 1940s, he and his brother Owen would sometimes travel to the area to look for the missing grave of their ancestor. The closest they ever got to finding the

Marshall sharing a meal with Jim and Linda Alford's son. Jim and Linda live near Daingerfield and were instrumental in assisting in the search for the graves.

graves was the last trip they took out there in March of 1987. Accompanied by one grandson each, Marshall and his brother Owen spent several hours walking over the land formerly owned by their great-grandfather Spire. Late in the day, Marshall held up a 50-dollar bill to give to the person who first located the graves. No one was able to collect the reward, and to this day the graves are still missing.

Although he was a pretty big man, Marshall had a naturally higher-pitched voice that sounded a little hoarse at times. He always had a quick smile and a mischievous twinkle in his eye. On his last trip to Daingerfield, Texas he rode with me in the back of the van behind his brother Owen who occupied the front passenger seat. Somewhere riding across Mississippi, he reached down and broke a straw from a whisk broom lying in the floorboard. After he caught my attention with that twinkle and smile, he spent several minutes occasionally tickling his brother's ear with the straw. Owen thought it was a bug. It was on this trip Marshall told me about the Shanks and Alfords who first settled Winston County, AL.

Marshall usually went to bed about dark and got up very early. On other trips he made to Texas when he would wake up long before everyone else was still snoozing, he would sit up in bed and sing Amazing Grace until everybody was awake.

The Will Rowe place Marshall bought contained a piece of Winston County

The four well-dressed children of John Warren Alford, youngest child of Alexander Marshall Alford, posed in the 1910s. Left to right: Myrtie Alford Hunter, Isaiah Marshall Alford, Owen Warren Alford, and Daisy Alford Riggins.

history: the old jail house. Houston was the county seat of Winston County from about 1850 until 1884 when it was relocated to Double Springs. The jail was built in 1859 to house prisoners arrested in the newly formed county. The doors and some of the walls are filled with thousands of square nails to hinder anyone who thought they might saw their way out. The old jail still stands just a few steps away from Marshall's old post office building and about a hundred yards from his house. Marshall always welcomed visitors to the old jail and was pleased to tell them about the history of the area.

Marshall remembered the first car he ever saw. A Congressman stopped in Houston to make a speech, and three automobiles came down the road. He said the place was covered up with people to hear the speeches, but the grandest show of all was the automobiles. He said no one in the Houston section owned a car at that time. Marshall could remember when he rode a mule or a horse and the more well-to-do rode in a buggy or surrey.

Marshall was a life-long Democrat in a predominantly Republican county. He remembered when Franklin D. Roosevelt carried Winston County by only two or three votes. The Alford family in Houston may have made the difference.

After he retired, he could often be found fishing on nearby Smith Lake. Other times, he'd be at the new store across the road. As people stopped by to stock up on fishing supplies, he could be counted on to tell the curious where the big ones were biting. He always said at the right time of year when the yellow butterflies flew in a certain direction, the best crappie fishing to be had was on Cooper Hollow.

For most of his life, he attended the Houston United Methodist Church about a quarter mile from his house. After services, he could sometimes be found outside handing out chewing gum to the children. Every Sunday, you could depend on Marshall to have two choices: Juicy Fruit or Spearmint. On every First Sunday in May he could be found at Decoration at Pleasant Hill Church #1, about three miles on down the road in the forest. Often, he coordinated the singing service following the midday meal. He was always involved in cleaning up the cemetery in the days leading up to First Sunday in May. On that Sunday, he would put on his best suit, (and a big floppy hat, if it was sunny) and walk up the hill with a big box of home grown flowers under his arm. He would first remember the final resting place of his parents, John Warren and Amy Alford with fresh cut and pleasant smelling roses. Then, he'd distribute the rest of the box's contents on other graves of long gone relatives and neighbors. He always shared his box and let children reach in and place a couple flowers on some grave marked only by two big, flat rocks stuck upright in the dirt, where only the day before he had carefully shaped

the sand in a long inverted "V" shape between the rocks. Many times, Marshall's flowers were the only ones placed on these nameless graves.

Each year when he returned to help clean off the cemetery, he would find some time to walk a little ways down into the woods behind the church and clean out the spring. When he went to school there in the 1910s, the spring was their only source of water. After he cleaned the old leaves and sticks out of the spring, he'd take a new bay leaf and fashion it into a cup and dip some of the cool, fresh water out of the spring. He always said that that was the best tasting water in all of Winston County.

Thanksgiving and Christmas were big events at Marshall's house. In later years, these occasions were some of the few times his ever-growing family could get together at the same time. Food and gifts were plentiful. At Christmas, Marshall was known for his gifts of boxes of chocolate covered cherries.

Marshall's brother Owen suffered a stroke and died in 1991. About a year later, Marshall had a debilitating stroke which took away his speech and most of his mobility. For his last four years, he required around-the-clock care. His children refused to put him in a nursing home and took turns caring for him in shifts. He was never alone. Isaiah Marshall Alford passed away quietly early on Saturday morning, 8 June 1996 at the age of 90. He died in his own house and in his own bed surrounded by family. He is survived by a sister Myrtie (who turned 92 on 6 July 1996); three children, nine grandchildren, 14 great-grandchildren, and two great-great grandchildren.

His funeral services were held at the Houston Baptist Church on Sunday, 9 June 1996. After services conducted in part by his grandson, Bobby Alford, and one last verse of his all-time

favorite hymn, Amazing Grace, sung just for him, Marshall was laid to rest beside his wife "Emmer" across the road in the Methodist Cemetery.

Accounting for his long and mostly healthy life, he claimed he never smoked a cigarette and never drank a drop of whiskey.

Out in my front yard is a cherry tree Marshall let me dig up out along the drive to his house a few years back. It was only a few inches tall when I got it. It's over seven feet tall now, and in the springtime it's covered with beautiful white blossoms. It's in full bloom about the First Sunday in May.



The following article was published in the *Winston County News* on Wednesday, December 25, 1991. Robin used some of the information from this article in his memorial to Marshall. The quality of the accompanying photograph is poor, but Robin has been unable to locate the original. It was owned by a distant relative of author John West who died shortly after Robin became aware of the article. Robin's family would very much like to find the current owner of the original—they had never seen the photo before it appeared in the newspaper.

Alford Family of Houston

By John West
(original title: Marshall of Houston)

The Alford's, Shanks and Hogans all came from Georgia about the same time after the Civil War. Before the Civil War they lived at Hogansville, Georgia. The Hogans had 120 slaves and thousands of acres of land, all taken from them during the war. One of the Hogan girls married Frank Shanks. They had a girl named Fannie who married Alexander Alford (Alex).

Alex and Fannie had a daughter

who later married George Wilson. She was named Odessa, and was born in Georgia.

They moved to Winston County, Alabama in a steer wagon. When moving, they camped out with a farmer near Fall City. The farmer only had venison. Alex and Fannie had some meal, which they had brought from Georgia. They furnished the meal to make corn bread and the farmer furnished the venison. This was their supper meal as well as their breakfast.

They crossed Sipsey River at Partridge Mill Ford, and settled on what is now known as Island Ford, U.S. Forest Service Picnic Ground road.

Alex was a Civil War veteran for the Southern Army when he was 15 years old. He volunteered. His father died when he was five years old. His mother married a Slaughter and moved to Roanoke, Alabama.

Alex lived with the Hogans until he married Fannie Shanks. To them were born three

children. Odessa married George Wilson, Daisy married John Henry Blake (Laura West's grandparents), Johnny married Amy Tidwell (John West's mother's sister). Johnny Alford and Amy Tidwell had four children.

Myrtie married Bryan Hunter, she was a school teacher. Isaiah Marshall Alford married Emma Speer. Owen Alford married Mary Miller. Daisy Alford married Roland Riggins. She was also a school teacher.

Marshall Alford was able to secure a mail contract in Mobile. He carried the mail for four years, saved his money, came back and bought the Will Rowe store and farm. He became Postmaster and held it until he retired.

He now owns the Post Office building and the old store building, the new store building, and many acres of land. It can truly be said he is the marshal of Houston. Also he is master of ceremonies for the Speer Family Memorial singing, held at Houston each September.

It was said of Fannie Alford that she could take very meager food and make a good meal of it. She received \$8.00 per month to teach school at Peep Crack, Houston, and Fall City. Tom Cowart licensed her to teach school when he was Superintendent of Education, Winston County. ❖

Taken before the turn of the century, this photo of Alexander Alford and his wife Frances Elizabeth Shank also appears on their tombstone at the Houston Baptist Cemetery (locally called "The Upper Church.")

Pioneer Winston People

Some of the renowned citizens of Winston county are pictured. Seated are Alex and Fannie Alford. Standing from left: Daisy Alford Blake, Johnny Warren Alford, Odessa Alford Wilson.

Alexander Alford and Frances Elizabeth Shank in 1927.

Obituaries from East Texas

Thanks to Andrew L. Leath, AAFA #45, for typing and sending via e-mail these obituaries from the newspaper in his east Texas city of Tyler. He copied the two oldest from microfilm at Muntz Library, University of Texas at Tyler, but he contributed newspaper originals of all the others to AAFA. Thanks also to Gil Alford and Lynn Shelley for adding information from our AAFA files.

EARSEL "RED" ALFORD

TYLER MORNING TELEGRAPH
Tyler, TX—Thurs., 19 July 1990

PALESTINE—Services for Earsel "Red" Alford, 69, Palestine, are scheduled for 2 p.m. Thursday in Bailey & Foster Funeral Home chapel in Palestine with the Revs. Charles Headrick and Richard Sims officiating.

Burial will be in Roselawn Park in Palestine.

Mr. Alford died Wednesday in a Palestine hospital.

He was born March 9, 1921, in Oletha, a son of the late James Jackson Alford and Gertrude Long Alford. He was a carton assembler for Glass Containers Corporation. During World War II, he served in U.S. Army from 1942–1945 and participated in the Normandy Invasion on D-Day. Also, he was the recipient of the purple heart. He was a lifemember of Disabled American Veterans and Palestine

Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 8924. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a sister, Earline Blanchard, in 1983, and two brothers, Herman Alford in 1988, and John Alford, in 1982.

Survivors include his wife, Mareta Alford, Palestine; two daughters, Carolyn Crouse, Tennessee Colony, and Ann Tillman, Palestine; two sons, Larry Alford, Elkhart, and Wayne Alford, Tennessee Colony; five sisters, Reba Long, Fairfield, Betty Davis, Chilton, Bonnie Fields, Grand Prairie, Jo Perdue, Mansfield, and Mary Galbreath, Rockdale; three brothers, S.J. Alford, Thornton, Raymond Alford, Teague, and M.R. Alford, Pearland; nine grandchildren.

Pallbearers will be nephews.

AAFA NOTE: Earsel Alford was a brother of Glenice Jo Perdue, AAFA #318. He was a descendant of Jackson Alford born about 1830 in Alabama who we believe was a son of Baldy Alford.

HAZEL LORENA CARPENTER ALFORD

TYLER MORNING TELEGRAPH
Tyler, TX—Thurs., 29 Feb 1996

[See following obituary of her husband, Gillis Alford.]

ATHENS—Services for Hazel Lorena

Alford, 88, Athens, are scheduled for 1 p.m. Friday at Carroll-Lehr Funeral Home chapel, Athens, with the Rev. Ricky Smith officiating.

Graveside services are scheduled for 3 p.m. Friday in Mount Olive Cemetery, Scurry.

Mrs. Alford died Tuesday in an Athens hospital.

She was born Feb. 10, 1908, in Atoka, Okla., to the late Robert Edward and Lena Mae Kilgore Carpenter. She lived in Fairbanks, Alaska, for 15 years, and was a resident of Athens for the last 17 years. She served in the Medical Corps of the U. S. Army Air Corps during World War II and later was a hostess for Reeve Aleutian Airways. She was preceded in death by her husband, Gillis Alford, in 1990.

Survivors include daughter, Helen Ruth Hill, Athens; grandsons Michael Hill and Edward Hill, both of Dallas; three great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren; and two nieces.....

GILLIS L. ALFORD

TYLER MORNING TELEGRAPH
Tyler, TX—Mon., 10 Sept 1990

[See previous obituary of his wife, Hazel Alford.]

ATHENS—Services for Gillis L. Alford, 81, Athens, are scheduled for 2 p.m. Tuesday in Carroll-Lehr Memorial Chapel, Athens, with the Rev. James Jacobs, Tom Denton and Edward Hill officiating.

Cremation will follow the services.

Mr. Alford died Sunday in an Athens hospital after a lengthy illness.

He was born Sept. 25, 1908, in West Virginia and was an Athens resident 11 years moving from Anchorage, Alaska, where he resided

15 years. He served in the U.S. Air Force during World War II, where he was a crew chief for mechanics on B-24s. He was a special inspector for the U.S. Government Civil Service 25 years and retired in 1968.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Hazel Alford, Athens.; one daughter, Helen Hill, Seagoville; one brother, Price A. Alford, Dallas; two grandsons, Michael Hill and Edward Hill; three great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

The family will receive friends 4-6 p.m. Monday at the funeral home. If desired, memorials may be made to the charity of one's choice.

AAFA NOTE: Gillis was the son of John L. and Kate Alford. They lived at 4903 Ross Avenue in Dallas in 1920. The family was in Lincoln County, West Virginia in 1910. John Robert Alford was the son of Lafayette and Sarah Catherine Adams Alford, grandson of Robert and Leazy Coon Alford and great-grandson of George and Mary Byrnside Alford, (George was a pioneer of what became Lincoln County, WV) and a great-great grandson of John Alford of Rockingham County, VA—known to some of us as “Irish John Alford.”

MAUDE ELIZABETH WOODYARD ALFORD

TYLER MORNING TELEGRAPH
Tyler, TX—Thurs., 29 Feb 1996

HENDERSON—Graveside services for Maude Elizabeth Alford, 92, San Angelo, formerly of Henderson, are scheduled for 2 p.m. Friday in Lakewood Cemetery, Henderson, with the Rev. Roy Biser officiating under direction of Crawford-A. Crim Funeral Home, Henderson. San Angelo arrangements are by Johnson's Funeral Home.

Mrs. Alford died Wednesday in a San Angelo nursing home.

She was born May 7, 1903, in Carthage to the late Lester and Lula Woodyard. She lived in Henderson from 1923–1988, when she moved to San Angelo. She was a longtime member of Henderson First United Methodist Church. She was preceded in death by her husband of 61 years, E.B. Alford, in 1984.

Survivors include daughter and son-in-law, Mary and Dr. Gabe Coleman, San Angelo; grandchildren, Robert Genson [should be Benson] Coleman, Midland, Mary Tabor and Tom G. Coleman Jr., both of Dallas; and four great-grandchildren.

AAFA NOTE: E.B. Alford was Egbert Benson Alford, an uncle of AAFA members Landon Alford, #002, Ella Alford, #246, and John R. Alford, #200. See also the obituary of Charline Alford in this article.

LORENE THRASHER ALFORD

TYLER MORNING TELEGRAPH
Tyler, TX—Mon., 19 Feb 1996

HENDERSON—Graveside services for Lorene Thrasher Alford, 79, Henderson, are scheduled for 2 p.m. Tuesday in Lakewood Memorial Park with the Rev. Robert Hall officiating under direction of Crawford-A. Crim Funeral Home, Henderson.

Mrs. Alford died Sunday in a Henderson hospital.

She was born Sept. 19, 1916, in

Electra and grew up in Henderson, returning in 1972. She retired from International Paper Co. where she had worked in accounting and personnel departments and was a member of First Baptist Church.

Survivors include sons, Royce Alford Jr., Whitehouse, Rick Alford, Rockwall, Mitch Alford, Longview, and Steve Alford, Henderson; daughter, Holli Hagler, Shreveport, La.; brothers, Jack Thrasher, Henderson, and Jimmy Thrasher, Baton Rouge, La.; sisters, Todi Foley, Henderson, and Helen Neely, Lake Cherokee; and 11 grandchildren....

AAFA NOTE: Help is needed on this one. Royce was probably the son of “Alba” B. and Cora Alford who were enumerated in Shelby County, TX in 1920. Was Alba actually Albert B. Alford who was born about 1888 in Texas? He was a brother of “Orange R.” Alford with whom he was enumerated in 1910 Williamson County, TX and the son of Albert & Cynthia Alford who were enumerated there in 1900. Help us prove the above or provide other information.

CHARLINE COX ALFORD

TYLER MORNING TELEGRAPH
Tyler, TX—Wed., 10 Jan 1996

HENDERSON—Services for Charline Cox Alford, 82, Dallas, formerly of Henderson, are scheduled for 3 p.m. Wednesday in South Main Church of Christ with John Thompson officiating.

Burial will be in Lakewood Memorial Park under direction of Crawford-A. Crim Funeral Home.

Mrs. Alford died Monday at her residence.

She was born July 9, 1914, in Marietta, Miss., and lived most of life in Henderson before moving to

Dallas four years ago. She was a homemaker and member of South Main Church of Christ.

Survivors include daughters, JoAnn Banister and Louella Wilks, both of Dallas; and grandchildren, Bess Ella Banister, Kara Camille Banister, William Alford Banister, Emily Ann Wilks and Douglas Alford Wilks.

Pallbearers include David Roberts, David Alford, Ben Alford, Douglas Alford Wilks, Breck Watson and Mike Tabor.

Honorary pallbearers are Dr. Hugh Phillips, Jewel Howard, Landon Alford, John Alford and Russell Watson.

AAFA NOTE: Charline Alford was the first cousin of several AAFA members: Landon Alford #002, who was a pallbearer, Ella Alford #246, and several others of the Rusk County, Texas branch. Mariwynn Alford Watson, wife of Russell Watson and mother of Breck Watson, pallbearers, was present at the AAFA meeting in Houston. John Alford was probably AAFA #200 John R. Alford, brother of Landon and Ella.

CORNELIA ALICE ALFORD NIBLACK

TYLER MORNING TELEGRAPH
Tyler, TX—Wed., 29 Dec 1993

Private graveside services for Cornelia Alice Alford Niblack, 91, Tyler, were held Tuesday at Rose

Hill Cemetery with Rev. David O'Neal officiating. Arrangements were under the direction of Burks-Walker-Tippit Funeral Home.

Mrs. Niblack died Sunday in Tyler.

She was born May 19, 1902, in Riverside, Walker County. She was a graduate of Tyler High School and Tyler Commercial College. She retired from the Ramey, Calhoun & Marsh law firm, Tyler, and successors where she was employed as a legal secretary and office manager for over 40 years. She was a member of First Presbyterian Church.

Following retirement she was active in the local chapter of AARP, and the city of Tyler's Building Committee for Senior Citizens located at Fun Forest.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Will Niblack.

Survivors include two sons, William R. Niblack, Tyler, and Charles T. Niblack, Houston; one granddaughter, MaryLynn Niblack Manley, Tyler; one grandson, Scott Niblack, Houston.

If desired, memorials may be made to First Presbyterian Church, Tyler.

AAFA NOTE: More help is needed here. In 1910 Walker County there was an Alice Alford enumerated as the niece of Charles P. Taylor. Also in the household was Nellie Alford, apparently Charles Taylor's sister who was born about 1876 in Texas. It appears that a _____ Alford married Nellie Taylor and they had Alice before he died or left home.

DORA ALFORD

TYLER MORNING TELEGRAPH
Tyler, TX—Mon., 23 Oct 1961

BULLARD (Spl.) Funeral services will be held at 4 p.m. Monday for Mrs. Dora Alford, 83, who died Friday morning in a Tyler hospital

after a lengthy illness.

Services will be in the Bullard Baptist Church with the Rev. Roy Harvey, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Bullard City Cemetery under the direction of Gragard-Spraggins-Swofford Funeral Home.

Survivors include two sons, Sam M. Alford and Elton Alford, both of Bullard; five daughters, Mrs. Martha Taylor of Phoenix, Ariz., Mrs. Ida Mae Walkouick of Houston, Mrs. Estelle McFall, Mrs. Ordrey Shelton, Mrs. Ruth Shuler, all of Baltimore, Md., one brother, A.L. Cooley of Lindale; two sisters, Mrs. Ana Herring of Tyler and Mrs. Daisey Miles of Troup.

AAFA NOTE: See notes following the next obituary of Dora's husband.

JOSEPH SAMUEL ALFORD

TYLER MORNING TELEGRAPH
Tyler, TX—Tues., 15 Oct 1957

JACKSONVILLE, Oct. 14 (Spl.) Joseph Samuel Alford, 78, of Bullard, died at 4 a.m. Monday at his home here.

Funeral arrangements are incomplete pending the arrival of out of state relatives. The services will be in charge of the Gragard-Spraggins-Swofford Funeral Home in Jacksonville.

Survivors are his widow, two sons, Pelton [sic] and Sammy Alford of Bullard; four [sic] daughters, Mrs. Ida Mae Ivy of Houston, Mrs. Martha Taylor, Arizona, Mrs. Estelle McFall and Mrs. Audrey Jamison and Mrs. Ruth Shuler, all of Baltimore; 19 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren.

Alford was a retired farmer. He had lived in Bullard for several years.

AAFA NOTES: Jacksonville is the county seat of Cherokee County,

Texas. Bullard is a small town of about 900 folks that sits right on the county line between Smith County and Cherokee County, Texas. This is obviously the same family with husband Joseph Samuel Alford's death in 1957 and his wife's in 1961. There is enough similarity between names—even with the errors in the obituaries—to match most of the children's names. We consider Elton and Pelton to be the same person, and Audrey and Ordrey are probably the same. It can be assumed, unless Dora had been married before which is possible, that she was Dora Cooley before marriage.

The family was enumerated in Smith County, Texas in 1910. They were listed as (AAFA converted ages to approximate years of birth): Sam, 1881 Arkansas; Dora 1879 Alabama; Martha L. 1904 Texas; Sammie N. 1906 Texas; Amanda E. 1908 Texas, and Ida May 1910 Texas.

In the 1900 census of Chickasawba, Mississippi Co., Arkansas there was a Samuel Alford boarding with James A. Hargett. This Samuel was born March 1882 in Arkansas.

It might have been son, Sammie, who died June 1976 in Tyler, TX. This Sammie was born January 16, 1905 and had social security number 450-16-0165.

LORENA GILMORE ALFORD

TYLER MORNING TELEGRAPH
Tyler, TX—Thurs., 8 Aug 1990

LAKE PALESTINE—Services for Mrs. Lorena G. Alford, 74, Lake Palestine, are scheduled for 10 a.m. Friday at Noonday United Methodist Church with the Revs. Tim Bruster and Henry Vincent officiating.

Burial will be in Tyler's Rose Hill Cemetery under direction of

Burks-Walker-Tippit Funeral Home, Tyler.

Mrs. Alford died Wednesday at her residence after a lengthy illness.

She was born Nov. 20, 1915, at Slocum and was a member of Noonday United Methodist Church.

She and her husband, E.B. Alford, Lake Palestine, celebrated their 52nd wedding anniversary Jan. 28, 1990.

Mrs. Alford was a retired elementary school teacher, teaching in the Westwood Independent School District.

Survivors include her husband, E.B. Alford, Lake Palestine; a daughter and son-in-law, Judith and Pace McDonald III, Palestine; a daughter, Jo Elaine Quinata, San Antonio; a son, Elward D. Alford, Georgetown; her father, M.B. Gilmore, Elkhart; a brother, Raymond Gilmore, Nacogdoches; a sister, Ruby Averitte, Slocum; six grandchildren, Amanda Estes, Pace McDonald IV, Rena Jo Quinata, Matthew Quinata, Leilani Quinata and Noel Quinata; and a great-grandchild, Cody T. Estes.

Pallbearers will be J.D. Lightfoot, Henry Bise, Pace McDonald IV, Lloyd Stanridge, Al Lightfoot, Carlton Brooks, Jack Estes and James Ray Ives.

AAFA NOTE: More information is needed to identify this person. Was E.B. Alford named "Elward" as was his son; or was he the Elmer Alford, son of Reden and Susan (Teel) Alford in 1910 and 1920 Anderson County, TX? Also, since they were members of Noonday Methodist Church, which is on the Smith County side of the lake, we are assuming that this family lived in Smith County.

NORRIS N. ALFORD

TYLER MORNING TELEGRAPH
Tyler, TX—Mon., 22 Oct 1990

[Norris lived in Dallas County, but he is buried in Titus County and was born in Red River County, immediately north of Titus Co.]

Graveside services for Norris N. Alford, 83, Grand Prairie, relative of an East Texas resident, are scheduled for 2 p.m. Tuesday in Bridge Chapel Cemetery, Mount Pleasant, with Bill Allen officiating.

Arrangements are under direction of Hughes Funeral Homes, Grand Prairie.

Mr. Alford died Saturday. He was born Oct. 28, 1906, in Red River County.

Survivors include his wife, Dorothy Alford, Grand Prairie; one daughter, Katie McAdams, Big Spring; one son, Norris Eddger "Buck" Alford, Loveland; one brother, Travis Alford, Euless; one sister, Edith Cook, Clarksville; several grandchildren, great-grandchildren, great-great-grandchildren, and a host of other relatives....

AAFA NOTE: The obituary of Hubert Pershing Alford (1918-1942), a brother of Norris who was killed in WWII, was published in *AAFA ACTION*, Sept. 1992, p. 31. Norris was the son of William Henry Alford (1884-1936) and Katie Belle

Childress Alford (1882–1950) of Red River County, TX. In 1942, Norris was living in Grand Prairie, Dallas County. William H. was probably the son of William J. and Ellen Alford, and William J. was probably the son of John H. Alford and Martha Davis. Help is needed to confirm these probabilities, which if true prove Norris to be a descendant of Haywood Alford born about 1780 in Georgia—the subject of one of the AAFA genealogies.

WILLIE DEE ALFRED

TYLER MORNING TELEGRAPH
Tyler, TX—Mon., 26 April 1993

GILMER—Graveside services for Willie Dee Alfred, 89, Houston, formerly of Gilmer, are scheduled for 10 a.m. Wednesday at Sunset Memorial Park with the Rev. Randy Miguez officiating.

Arrangements are under direction of Croley Funeral Home of Gilmer.

Mrs. Alfred died Sunday in Houston after a lengthy illness.

She was born Sept. 6, 1903, in Iverness, Miss., and resided most of her life in the Gilmer area before moving to Houston. She was a housewife and member of Calvary Baptist Church of Gilmer. She was preceded in death by her husband, Marvin Alfred, and two sons, Dewitt Alfred and Richard Alfred.

Survivors include one son, Hamp Alfred, Houston; one brother, Robert

Rains, Stephens, Ark.; two sisters, Susie Alexander, Portland, and Beatrice Nea; six grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

AAFA NOTE: Gilmer is in Upshur County, TX. In the 1910 census of that county we find James R. and Julia Alfred with a son Marvin, born about 1896. James R. Alford, the father, was born in Alabama about 1849 and Julia in Georgia about 1863. In 1920 Upshur County there is a listing for Marven Alfred and wife Willie.

The obituary of Willie’s husband was published in Gil Alford’s *ABOUT ALFORDS*, issue #23, April 1988, p. 18, from the *Tyler Morning Telegraph* sent by Andy Leath. His conclusions at that time have been proven wrong based on later data and have been omitted from the following rewrite.

Bishop M. Alfred

Services for Bishop Marvin Alfred, 90, Gilmer, are scheduled 2 p.m. Saturday (January 17 1987) in Croley Funeral Home chapel with the Rev. Duane Turner officiating. Burial will be in Sunset Memorial Park. Mr. Alfred died Thursday in a Gilmer hospital. He was born April 23 1896 in Gregg County (TX). Mr. Alfred was a retired farmer and a World War I veteran. He was a member of Calvary Baptist Church, Gilmer. Survivors include his wife, Willie Dee Alfred, Gilmer; two sons, Richard Alfred, Tyler, and Hamp Alfred, Houston; one sister Annie Alfred Jones, Longview; and others. Pallbearers included Russell Alford.

[Editor’s note: The preceding obituary was probably not a verbatim transcription.]

THURMAN WARREN ALFORD

TYLER MORNING TELEGRAPH
Tyler, TX—Sat., 21 Oct 1995

WINNSBORO—Services for Thurman Warren Alford, 79, Winnsboro, are scheduled for 2 p.m. Monday in Beaty Funeral Home chapel.

Burial will be in Winterfield Cemetery.

Mr. Alford died Friday in a Grand Prairie nursing home.

He was born June 25, 1916, in Winnsboro and lived in Pickton until 1992, when he returned to Winnsboro. Mr. Alford served in the U.S. Navy and worked for the Ford Co. in Dallas and Lee Jeans in Sulphur Springs. He was a Baptist.

Survivors include one brother, A.G. Alford, Norfolk, Va.; and three sisters, Mary Carpenter, Grand Prairie, Glenice McIntire, San Antonio, and Doris White, Richardson.

Family will receive friends 6-8 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home.

AAFA NOTE: Thurman Warren Alford is listed in the AAFA genealogy on the descendants list of John Alford born about 1801 in North Carolina. He was the son of John Martin Alford and Della Harrison, and a cousin of AAFA Secretary Max

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Obituaries from Greene Co., Missouri—Part 1

OBITUARIES AND OTHER DEATH NOTICES, 1900-1996, FROM SPRINGFIELD, MISSOURI, NEWSPAPERS AND OTHER SOURCES

By Lynn D. Shelley, AAFA V.P.

Although most of the "Alfords" in the obituaries and death notices in this article are from Greene County, some were from surrounding counties. Not all of the information came from newspapers—some data was from funeral home records.

Newspaper names were omitted in the text if they were one of the following Springfield, MO, papers:

THE SPRINGFIELD REPUBLICAN was published from 1887 to 1926 and those obituaries to 1926 were from that paper.

THE SPRINGFIELD DAILY NEWS was a morning paper published from 1926 to 1987.

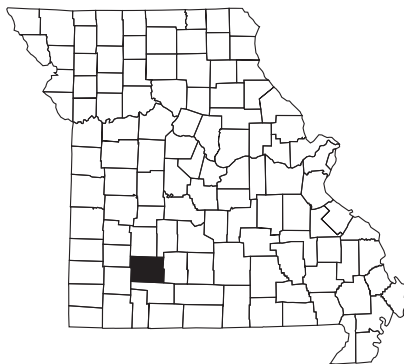
THE SPRINGFIELD LEADER-PRESS was a weekday evening newspaper and Sunday morning paper that merged with *THE SPRINGFIELD DAILY NEWS* in March, 1987, and became *THE SPRINGFIELD NEWS LEADER*, which is still the newspaper being published today.

These newspapers are on microfilm and most material of genealogical interest has been published and indexed for 1900-1922 and 1939 to the present. There may have been some names that were missed from 1923-1938 because these years are micro-filmed only (no index). If they are indexed in the future, information on all Alfords, etc. will be extracted. Also Alfords from surrounding counties often did not make local newspapers until more recently when the circulation increased.

THOMAS P. ALFORD

WRIGHT COUNTY PROGRESS
January 12, 1900

Thomas Alford, a highly respected young man, died at his home near Duncan, on Monday evening, January 9, 1900, of typhoid fever. Burial services were conducted Wednesday at Mt. Zion Church with burial in the church cemetery.



AAFA NOTES: This was the son of William (born 1838 NC) and Mary Kelley Alford and grandson of William and Jane Alford who came to Wright County, MO, between 1850 and 1860. Thomas was born June 11, 1876, and apparently did not marry before his death. Descendants of William and Jane will hereafter be referred to as the **WRIGHT COUNTY ALFORDS**.

GRAZILDA MENEES ALFORD

From Paxson Funeral Home records
December 1913

Grazilda Alford died in Montana on December 24, 1913, and her body was shipped back to Springfield for burial beside her husband in Palmetto Cemetery near Rogersville. Two

sons, Oliver and George M. Alford are mentioned in the record (probably paid the bill).

AAFA NOTES: This is the wife of William D. Alford (born 1811 NC), their marriage having taken place in Robertson County, TN, on Sept. 24, 1848. They were still in Robertson County in the 1850 census. William's brother Melton/Milton (born 1809 NC) was enumerated with them. Milton was in Greene County, MO, by 1856 when he owned land and was listed on a tax list. William and Grazilda had a child who was born in TN in late 1856, but they arrived in Greene County shortly thereafter and had a child born in MO in 1859. Several of William's children went to Montana after 1880. It may have been soon after William's death (Dec. 27, 1883). Others remained in Greene County where descendants are still found today. The families of William and Milton will hereafter be referred to as the **GREENE COUNTY ALFORDS**, even though members of the families from surrounding counties came to Greene County to live after 1920 or so.

LAURA BELLE ALEXANDER ALFORD

Klingner Funeral Home Records
April 1919

Laura B. Alford, age 44 years, 29 days; born March 2, 1874; died April 1, 1919. She died at Burge Hospital. The body was shipped to Stoutland, MO, for burial. From Kent-Clark Monument Sales, 19151930—Inscription bearing the above dates for Laura Belle Alford and another monument inscribed **BABY ALFORD**, son of J.E. and L.B. Billed to J.E. Alford, 2045 Wassola. Sent to Stoutland City Cemetery (Laclede County).

AAFA NOTES: Laura's maiden name was Alexander. The identity of J.E. Alford is not known for certain. The 1910 census of Greene County showed a James E. Alford, age 31, born in TX with parents born KY and MS. His wife was Laura who was 33, born in MO with parents born in IL and MO. They had been married 5 years, had one child at that time who was no longer living. This is undoubtedly the same couple as described in the funeral home records. He is not buried in the Stoutland Cemetery and so far he has not been found in the 1920 MO census although he does appear in the 1920 Greene County Telephone Directory at the address mentioned by the funeral home. Is he identical with the James Edmund Alford who married an Ida Hotelling, had children and died in 1952? The phone book listed him as James Edw. in 1917, but his age of 31 in 1910 fits well with the birth date of 1868 which is that of James Edmund. Further study is necessary to determine the family to which he belongs.

CORA ALFRED

Saturday, June 4, 1921

Mrs. Cora Alfred, age 36, died Friday morning [June 3] at her home, 800 East Dale Street, following a lingering illness. She is survived by her husband, Carl G. Alfred, and three children. Funeral services will be conducted at the family residence Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock, after which burial will be in Green Lawn Cemetery under the direction of Klingner Undertaking Company.

AAFA NOTES: This is the first wife of Carl G. Alfred (he was born Sep. 11, 1883, in Arkansas). She was Cora Irene Jennings, the daughter of John Jennings (born TN) and Matilda Payne (born AR), born May 6, 1885, in Missouri. She died of tuberculosis.

The three children mentioned were Charles W. (1906), Inez K. (1908), and Belle E. (1910), all born in Arkansas. This family first appeared in Springfield in the 1917 telephone directory and was also in the 1920 census. They also had an additional child born in Springfield, Mar. 25, 1919. He was not named, was born dead, and is buried at Greenlawn Cemetery. This is from funeral home records.

MARY MARGARET ALFORD BUTCHER

Monday, August 6, 1928

Funeral services for Mrs. Mary Butcher will be conducted at her home on Route 10, northeast of here, at 2 o'clock today. Mrs. Butcher died at her home Saturday night [Aug.4]. Burial will be at Greenlawn Cemetery under the direction of Klingner Funeral Home. She is survived by her husband Tom and four children.

AAFA NOTES: Mary was the granddaughter of Orlando Dixon Alford (born 1826, Meigs Co. TN) who with his older brother John M. Alford (born 1821, Knox Co. TN) came to Dallas Co. MO about 1854-1859.

They will be hereafter referred to as the DALLAS COUNTY ALFORDS. Mary Margaret Alford Butcher was the daughter of Robert Franklin "Frank" and Lizzie Maddux Alford. She was born April 22, 1896, in Leadmine, MO. She married John Thomas Butcher in late 1920. Their children were Thomas Franklin Butcher, Grace Christine Butcher, John Douglas Butcher and Stephen Butcher who was born on the day of his mother's death and who died ten days after his mother (on Aug. 14, 1928). He was premature and his mother's death was a result of complications of childbirth.

JOHN ALFORD

Wednesday, March 13, 1940

John Alford, 75, prominent farmer, died at his home a mile west of Rogersville yesterday. He was born and spent most of his life in Greene County. Survivors include the widow, Artelia; a daughter, Mrs. Beulah Nelson of Oklahoma City; three grandchildren and a great grandchild; two sisters and two brothers.

Funeral services will be conducted by the Rev. Hal Pinnel of Little Rock, AR, tomorrow at 1:30 o'clock at the Palmetto Church near Rogersville.

AAFA NOTES: This is a son of William D. and Grazilda M. Alford of the Greene County Alfords. He was married twice: first to Goldie Dennis, Feb. 2, 1890. She died June 28, 1894, and is buried in Hopewell Cemetery in Washington Township of Greene County. He married Mary Artelia Humble, Jan. 2, 1895, in Greene County and they may have gone to Montana for a few years before coming back to Greene County by 1900. Each wife had one child: Beulah E. (1892-?) was the child of Goldie and Charley (1898-1918) was the child of Artelia. Beulah E. married W.H. Moore, Oct. 19, 1912, in Greene County, but he was deceased by 1920, at which time Beulah is enumerated in Webster County with two children, Albert Moore (born 1914 MO) and Bernice Moore (born 1917 KS). Beulah later married ___ Nelson and had at least one more child. How does the Harold Moore (age 3) living with her Uncle Oliver in 1900 and the Katie Moore (1874-1904) who died in the home of her Uncle Milton in 1904 relate to Beulah and her husband? Also see John's widow's death in 1968.

MILTON ALFORD

Sunday, July 28, 1940

Funeral services for Milton A. Alford, 87, who died yesterday morning [July 27] in the home of his son, Henry, three miles southwest of Rogersville will be at 2 o'clock this afternoon in the home.

Surviving are two other sons, George and Everett of Springfield; a daughter, Mrs. Charles Young of Rogersville, nine grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Mr. Alford was a pioneer resident of the Rogersville vicinity. He went there from Tennessee when a child.

Burial will be in Palmetto Cemetery under direction of the Kelley-Ferrell Funeral Home of Rogersville.

AAFA NOTES: In records and on his tombstone, Milton's middle initial is "W". He is one of the sons of William D. and Grazilda M. Alford who came with them to Greene County about 1858 from Robertson Co. TN where he was born in 1853. He married Mary Ann Humble (1862-1941—see next obit), Aug. 3, 1878, in Greene County, MO, and they had four children: Effie G. (1881), James Henry (1884), George D. (1891), and Everett (1895). They also had an son Ellis W. who was born Sep. 19, 1894, died June 20, 1896, and is buried in Palmetto Cemetery.

MARY ANN HUMBLE ALFORD

Monday, March 31, 1941

Mrs. Mary Ann Alford, 79, died at the home of her son Henry, three miles northwest of Rogersville at 8:30 o'clock yesterday morning after a lingering illness.

Survivors are two other sons, George and Everett of Springfield, and

a daughter Mrs. Effie Young of Rogersville.

Last rites will be at 10 o'clock Tuesday morning at the Palmetto Church with burial in the cemetery there under direction of Kelley and Ferrell.

AAFA NOTES: This is the widow of Milton W. from the previous obituary.

BELLE E. ALFRED DANCEY

Thursday, March 11, 1943

Mrs. Belle E. Dancey, 34, of Waynesville, died in Burge Hospital [Springfield] at 3:55 o'clock Wednesday afternoon. She is survived by her husband Lester, a son Bobby Joe, and two daughters, Mary Lou and Jeanette Belle; her father, Carl Alfred of Springfield and a sister, Mrs. Inez Carr of Freeport, TX.

Funeral services will be at 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon at the Klingner Funeral Chapel. The Rev. H.T. Abbott will officiate and burial will be in Greenlawn Cemetery.

AAFA NOTES: Belle was the daughter of Carl G. and Cora Jennings Alfred of Springfield, MO. Her brother Charles W. Alfred was also still alive at this time since he did not die until September, 1965.

MARY ALFORD

March 15, 1944

Mrs. Mary Alford, 79, who died at 5 o'clock Monday at her home in Marshfield, is survived by her husband, Oliver; two daughters, Mrs. Maggie Dennis of Los Angeles CA and Mrs. Lula Tillman of Rogersville; two sons, Bert of Rogersville and Harold of Catoosa OK; three grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild.

Funeral services were held at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon in Rogersville Methodist Church with burial in the Palmetto Cemetery.

AAFA NOTES: This is Mary E. Pickel/Pickle who married Oliver C. Alford, Nov. 17, 1882, in Greene County, MO. He was the son of William D. and Grazilda Menees Alford of the Greene County Alfords. See his obit in 1957. Was son Harold the Harold Moore (age 3) who was living with them in 1900? Did they adopt him? Where was he in 1910? In 1920, Oliver and Mary were enumerated as OLFORDS.

JESSIE H. ALFORD

Saturday, June 28, 1947

Jessie H. Alford, 81, lifelong resident of Webster County, died at his farm in Niangua last night [June 27].

Survivors include his wife Hulda; two daughters, Mrs. Opal Stokes of Springfield and Mrs. Myrtle McClanahan of Grovespring; three sons, Claude, Everett and Oreth (Bid) Alford of Niangua; two sisters, Mrs. Malissa Buttram and Mrs. Elizabeth Barker, Niangua; 13 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren

Funeral services will be held at the Prospect Church east of Niangua at 2 o'clock tomorrow with burial in the church cemetery under direction of Rainey Funeral Home of Marshfield.

AAFA NOTES: Jessie is only surviving son of Riley and Nancy L. Weaver Alford of the Wright County Alfords. He married Hulda Wilkinson c1887 and had Myrtle (1888), Claude H. (1889), Arthur (1893), Everett (1896) and twins? Opal and Oreth "Bid" (1910). Jesse's father Riley was in the Civil War (Corporal, Co. F, 6th MO Cavalry) and died in 1876 probably because of the dyspepsia and lingering illness he suffered after the war. Also

see Jesse's wife's obit which is next. Jesse's sons are responsible for any descendants of the Wright County family named Alford who remained in this area of MO. Others went to KS, OK, CO, and CA.

HULDA MARTHA ALFORD

Saturday, September 15, 1951

Mrs. Hulda Martha Alford, 82, of Niangua, died at the home of her son, Oreth Alford, near Grovespring at 11 p.m. Thursday [Sept. 13] after a short illness.

She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Myrtle McClanahan of Grovespring and Mrs. Opal Borlisch of Springfield; two other sons, C.H. and Everett, both of Niangua; one brother, three sisters and 13 grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 2:30 p.m. Sunday in Prospect Church with the Rev. D.S. Jones officiating. Burial will be in Prospect Cemetery under direction of Holdren of Hartville.

AAFA NOTES: This is Jesse's widow and most information about this family is in the preceding note. Opal has obviously remarried. First names of neither of her husbands are known at this time. Myrtle was married to William Lee "Widd" McClanahan who was a Freewill Baptist Minister—they lived near Pease Mill.

JAMES EDMUND ALFORD

Wednesday, March 19, 1952

James Edmund Alford, 73, retired farmer, died at his home, 711 Chicago, about 1:30 o'clock this morning after a long illness.

He leaves his wife, Mrs. Ida Alford; one daughter, Mrs. Roberta Leach, Fair Grove; two sons, Harold Alford, 921 E. Division, and Gerald Alford, Fair Grove; one brother J.C. Alford, Modesto, CA; one sister, Mrs. Agnes Garrison, Cooper, TX and three grandchildren.

Funeral services will be conducted at 2 p.m. Friday in the Boulevard Baptist Church by Rev. W.L. Murdaugh. Burial will be in Belleview Cemetery under direction of Klingner.

AAFA NOTES: This may be the same J.E. Alford who lived in Springfield and was married to Laura Belle who died in 1919. His family line has not been identified.

BESSIE ALFORD MADDUX

Monday, February 23, 1953

Mrs. Bessie Maddux, 59, wife of W.G. Maddux, Dallas County recorder and circuit court clerk, died at 1 p.m. Sunday at her home at Buffalo after a lingering illness.

Survivors, in addition to her husband, are a son Kenneth and a granddaughter, of a Buffalo rural route, and four sisters, Mrs. J.C. Butler and Mrs. Nette Fowler, both of Buffalo, Mrs. Lizzie Lindsey of Louisburg and Mrs. G.W. Kendall of Abilene, TX.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday in the First Baptist Church at Buffalo under the direction of L.B. Jones of Buffalo. Burial will be in Oak Lawn Cemetery at Buffalo.

AAFA NOTES: Bessie M.(B.?) Alford was the daughter of Charles H. and Frances Leslie Alford of the Dallas County Alford's. Obituaries for all her sisters but Lova Kendall (who did not die in MO) will follow.

ANNA HASELTINE ALFORD CANTRELL

Sunday, January 17, 1954

Mrs. Anna Haseltine Alford Cantrell, 75, who was known by her nickname "Hase", died at 12:20 a.m. at the home of her sister, Mrs. Jap Cantrell of Route 3, Mansfield. Her sister is her only survivor in addition to a number of nieces and nephews. Her husband, L.G. Cantrell, died in 1912.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Monday in Prospect Church northeast of Seymour, with the Rev. Charles W. Foley officiating. Burial will be in the church cemetery under direction of Kelley-Ferrell-Bergman of Seymour.

AAFA NOTES: Hase (born Sep. 1879) married L.G. Cantrell, and her sister Mattie (Martha E., born Apr. 1884) married Felix J. Cantrell, just before 1910 in Wright County, MO. They were daughters of William and Mary Kelley Alford of the Wright County Alford's. Hase had no children. See Mattie's obit in 1955.

MAY SMITH ALFORD

Friday, February 18, 1955

Mrs. May Alford, 54, of Route 9, died at 5:50 a.m. today in Springfield Baptist Hospital after a lingering illness.

Mrs. Alford was a member of Cherry Grove Baptist Church near Buffalo, and is survived by her husband, T.R. Alford; a son Buell, who is stationed with the Air Force in France; a daughter Mrs. Maxine Rimbe of Buffalo; two sisters, Mrs. Blanche Russell of 2032 N. Broadway and Mrs. Ruth Whillock of Urbana; and four grandchildren.

Funeral services will be under direction of L.B. Jones Funeral Home

of Buffalo with burial at New Hope Cemetery.

AAFA NOTES: May married Tommy (Thomas Richard, JR?) Alford in Dallas County on March 12, 1921. He married second, Gladys Sands, in July, 1957. They are both still alive and residing in Springfield,MO, as of this date.

**MARTHA E. ALFORD
CANTRELL**

Wednesday, June 22, 1955

Mrs. Mattie Cantrell, 72, of Route 3, Mansfield, died last night at Mansfield Hospital after a lengthy illness.

Survivors include her husband Jap; a son, Glenn; a daughter, Mrs. Vinita Claxton; a niece, Mrs. Julian Newton, and a grandchild, all of Route 3, Mansfield.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, in the First Baptist Church in Mansfield with Rev. Charles W. Foley, Sr., and Rev. Bob Martin officiating. Burial will be in the Mt. Zion Cemetery under the direction of Bergman-Miller of Mansfield. Pallbearers will be Francis Branstetter, Paul Dean Branstetter, Lee Adamson, Glenn Thornhill, Gene Dixon, and Eben Doty.

AAFA NOTES: This is Martha E. Alford, daughter of William and Mary Kelley Alford. For more information, see sister Hase's obit in 1954.

**EFFIE G. ALFORD
YOUNG**

Thursday, September 13, 1956

Mrs. Effie Young, 75, of 929 Mt. Vernon, died at 3:10 a.m. today in Burge Hospital after a brief illness. Mrs. Young is survived by three

sons, Lester of Tulsa, Raymond of 829 West Elm and Paul of 430 East Locust; three brothers, Henry, George, and Everett Alford of Springfield; and six grandchildren.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in Klingner Chapel with Earl Smith officiating. Burial will be in Palmetto Cemetery. Pallbearers will be Doran Reynaud, Dean Pickle, John Kiser, Modean Beaman, Ted Gaunt, and Tom Van Hooser.

AAFA NOTES: Effie was the daughter of Milton W. and Mary Ann Humble Alford of the Greene County Alford. She married Charles N. Young before 1900. They lived in Christian County, MO, and she may have moved to Springfield after her husband's death in 1944. Both are buried in Palmetto Cemetery.

**MARY MALISSA
ALFORD BUTTRAM**

Saturday, January 12, 1957

Mrs. Mary M. Buttram, 80, lifelong Wright County resident, died at 3 p.m. yesterday at the home of a daughter, Mrs. J.S. [Louie] Sell of Route 1, Niangua.

Survivors include another daughter, Mrs. Hulda Hoggatt of Independence, MO; four sons, Elmer and Angus of Route 1, Niangua, Anson of Lebanon and Olin of Grovespring; 29 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren.

Services will be held at 2 p.m. Sunday at the Amity Church near Niangua. The Rev. Selph Jones will officiate with burial in the church cemetery under direction of Barber-Edwards of Marshfield.

AAFA NOTES: Mary Malissa Alford was the daughter of Riley and Nancy Louisa Weaver Alford of the Wright County Alford. She was born April 29, 1876. She married John L. Buttram

c1895 and had seven children. Her husband died Oct. 12, 1939. One daughter, Lena Buttram George died 5 Sept 1947. Both parents and at least one son (Anson) and his wife are buried in the Amity Cemetery.

OLIVER C. ALFORD

Wednesday, April 10, 1957

Oliver C. Alford, 94, a lifelong resident of Greene and Webster Counties, died last night at 11:30 o'clock. His home was at Rogersville. He was a retired farmer.

Survivors are two daughters; Mrs. Maggie Dennis, Downey CA, and Mrs. Lula Tillman, Rogersville; a son, Bert Alford, Rogersville; a brother, Monroe Alford, Springfield; a sister Mrs. Irena Hendricks, Missoula MT, three grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Thursday at 2 p.m. in the Rogersville Methodist Church. Burial will be in Palmetto Cemetery under direction of Kelley-Ferrell-Conner.

AAFA NOTES: Oliver was one of the younger children of William D. and Grazilda M. Alford of the Greene County Alford. He married Mary Pickel in 1877 and they had four children. Son Harold (of Catoosa OK in 1944) must have preceded him in death as did his wife in 1944. See wife's obit for more information.

PHEBA HALFORD

Saturday, August 10, 1957

Mrs. Pheba (Aunt Allie) Halford, 88, died at 9:30 a.m. today at the home of her son, Bert Thornton, 1021 North Clay. She has 212 living descendants.

Until becoming ill several months ago, she was active in church work at the First Church of God here where she

served as Sunday School teacher. She had been a resident of Springfield for 13 years, coming here from Ozark County where she resided most of her life.

Survivors include two other sons, Dave Thornton, Riverside CA and Earl Thornton, Ellsworth KS; a daughter Zala Stout, Riverside CA; 40 grandchildren, 109 great-grandchildren and 59 great-great-grandchildren.

Also surviving are three stepsons, Jim Halford, Barnsdall OK, Birda Halford, Davenport IA, and Howard Thornton, Mountain Grove; and two stepdaughters, Mrs. Lethea Hall, West Plains and Mrs. Bell Thornton, Mountain Grove. Two sons and two daughters preceded her in death.

Funeral services will be conducted at 1 p.m. Wednesday at Trail Church of God, Ozark County, by Rev. Ernest Hart. Burial will be in the Trail Cemetery under direction of Ralph Thieme.

Pallbearers will be grandsons of the deceased, Johnny, Walter, B.D., Ocil, and Earl Thornton Jr. and Van Hall. The body will be at the Thieme Chapel until 8 a.m. Wednesday.

AAFA NOTES: This is Pheba Alvaretta ____, born Aug 31, 1868, in Kansas. She was first married to David Thornton (his second wife) and several children were born in Oklahoma although they were living in Ozark County, MO, in 1900. David Thornton died in 1904. James Franklin Halford, of the William Luker and Caroline Walker Halford family of Ozark County, first married Nancy E. Falkner c1884. He and Nancy had at least 5 children, some of whom are mentioned as stepchildren above. Nancy died between 1896 and 1900. James Franklin married Pheba about 1908 and the two of them had two or three children. James Franklin died Jul. 1, 1939, and is also buried in the Trail Cemetery.

JAMES HENRY ALFORD

Thursday, December 11, 1958

James Henry Alford, 74, 2221 Holland, a retired farmer, died Wednesday night in his home after a long illness. He had been a resident of Springfield and Detroit for the last 12 years.

Survivors are his wife Ella; three sons, Earl of Detroit, Cecil of Rogersville, and Kenneth, 2330 Maryland; two daughters, Mrs. Mabel McMullin of Rogersville, and Mrs. Reba Bayliff, Detroit; two brothers, Everett and George, both of Springfield; nine grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in Harmony Baptist Church with Revs. James Melton and John Rindle officiating. Burial will be at Maple Park Cemetery under direction of Kelly-Ferrell-Conner of Rogersville.

AAFA NOTES: This is the eldest son of Milton W. and Mary Ann Humble Alford of the Greene County family. He married Ella Young, June 26, 1904, and they had the five children named above.

The family must have moved to Detroit a few years after Henry's parents' deaths (1940 and 1941). When they moved back to MO (Springfield), a couple of the children and their families remained in Detroit.

LUTHER L. ALFORD

Friday, October 27, 1959

Luther L. Alford, 73, a native of Buffalo, died Thursday after suffering a heart attack at his home in Joplin.

Mr. Alford, a former farmer and stockman, had operated a restaurant in Dallas TX prior to his retirement in 1953 when he moved to Joplin. He

belonged to Reed Lane Baptist Church in Dallas.

Survivors are his wife, Mayme; a son Owen B., Springfield; a daughter, Mrs. Blanche E. Stevens, Joplin; a brother, Rob and a sister, Mrs. Mag Simmons, both of Riverside CA; and a grandson.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Sunday at New Hope Church with Rev. Charles Castell officiating. Burial will be at the church cemetery under direction of Hurlbut-Glover of Joplin.

AAFA NOTES: This is one of the sons of William H. and Rachel E. Southard Alford of the Dallas County families. He married Mayme Norman in 1906 and they had three children: Claude (1908-1909), Owen B. (1910) and Blanche (1913). Their grandson was Robert Alford Stevens, son of Blanche and her husband Aubrey Stevens of Joplin. He later moved to Springfield and is mentioned in Owen B.'s obituary in 1992.

IRENE B. COOK ALFORD

Tuesday, February 10, 1959

Funeral services for Mrs. Rena Alford, 91, lifelong Dallas County resident who died Saturday at the home of her son, J. Homer Alford, in Buffalo, were to be held this afternoon at the L.B. Jones Funeral Home in Buffalo. Burial was to be in New Hope Cemetery north of Buffalo.

She is survived also by two other sons, Tom Alford of Route 9, Springfield, and Clint Alford of Newton IA; two daughters, Mrs. Josephine Cox of North Little Rock AR, and Mrs. Cecil Svoboda of University City, 21 grandchildren, 36 great-grandchildren, and 7 great-great-grandchildren.

AAFA NOTES: This is Irene B. Cook, second wife of Thomas Richard Alford of the Dallas County Alfords. They were married March 23, 1884, in Dallas County. Her husband died Sept.

11, 1934. She was also preceded in death by several children: a stepdaughter, Mary M. Alford Hamlet in CA in 1954, Zona Alford Maddux in Dallas Co. in 1911, and Harvey Alford at age 2 in 1899.

**ELIZABETH M. ALFORD
 LINDSEY**

Tuesday, March 22, 1960

Mrs. Lizzie Lindsey, 80, died at her home in Louisburg Monday. She is survived by two daughters, Willa who lived at home and Mrs. Winnie Atchley, Louisburg; a son Charles, Louisburg; three sisters, Mrs. Stella Butler and Mrs. Nette Fowler, Buffalo, and Mrs. Lova Kendall, Ovalo, TX; and two grandsons.

Services will be held in Louisburg Baptist Church at 2 p.m. Wednesday. Burial will be in Louisburg Cemetery with L.B. Jones of Buffalo in charge.

AAFA NOTES: This is Elizabeth M. Alford, daughter of Charles H. and Frances Leslie Alford of the Dallas County Alford's. She married Daniel Arthur Lindsey soon after 1900. Winnie was born 1902, Charles 1905, and Willa in 1910.

**ROBERT DANIEL
 ALFORD**

Saturday, November 9, 1960

Funeral services for R.D. (Bob) Alford, 86, a lifelong resident of Dallas County, are to be at 2 p.m. Sunday, in

Montgomery Chapel, Buffalo, with the Rev. Milton Elmore officiating. Burial is to be in Oak Lawn Cemetery in Buffalo.

Mr. Alford died at his home in Buffalo Friday night [Nov.8]. Survivors include his wife, Sarah; a son, Bert, of Buffalo; a daughter, Mrs. Ione Jones, Bolivar; a sister, Mrs. Allie Winnimore, Denver; six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

AAFA NOTES: This is Robert Daniel Alford, born Oct. 9, 1874, to William and Elizabeth Jane Bray Alford of the Dallas County family. He married Sarah Ethridge in 1910 and they had Bernice (1912), Ione (1914) and Bertram Noah (1915). In 1920, this family was in Jackson County, MO. When did Bernice die and where is she buried? She was with the family in Jackson County in 1920? ❖

Volentine Smith's Letter Home, 1863

Submitted by Peggy Alford Schuster
 AAFA #666

The following is a letter written by Volentine Hargrove Smith to his wife, Rebecca Washington Alford Smith, the daughter of Daniel and Mae Alford. AAFA needs your help in determining where this family fits.

LITTLE ROCK, ARK., ORDNANCE
 DEPARTMENT
 June 1, 1863

Dear beloved wife and little ones,

I am again permitted, through the mercies of kind providence, to direct you a few lines which I earnestly hope will find you all well in body and mind. I am sorry to inform you that I am neither well in body or mind although I attempt to write.

I am troubled about home. It has been two months since I heard a word from you. I thought that I would not have

written until I got well but, as none of us have any lease of Him, I thought I would attempt to write you a few lines and express my wishes and feelings. I was taken sick with flux on 17th of May and have been very sick. I am now so feeble that it is difficult for me to write. I think the disease is in a manner cured and so do the doctors. They say I am doing well and for me to be quiet and take care of myself. So don't be alarmed, I have not abandoned the hope of seeing you again though I write the following.

It will not change the destinies of our being here or hereafter. In the first place it is my unwavering wish, hope and desire that you will manage to get along and keep the children together if it is possible, and that they be taught to read, write and cipher. But in the second place, when they grow up, if they should become unruly and you can't manage them this will be heart rending to you. It would be better to bind them to men of good morals and

standing than to have them grow up in indolence, vice, crime, and immorality.

I cannot describe the emotions of my heart while I pen these lines. My brother William has promised me that if I never should get back that he will make it a lifetime business to see to you and the children. Take counsel and advice in counsel. There is safety and knowledge in power.

I have furnished the metal and have had you a silver ring made. I will convey it to you the first chance. It is for you a keepsake and to wear. I wish you to consider it and wear it as an emblem of love, purity, and fidelity. These three words mean much. It has never been worn by anyone except me. I have lived since I left home and I always have, a sober and moral life. I have shunned all species of immorality and vice. I fear to send it in a letter that you will not get it. It is so, I never have failed every night since I have been in service nor since we have been

married, through unknown to you, to implore the mercies of kind providence upon us, to guide, guard, direct us, uphold and protect us.

Oh, let us dear companion and children, strive to meet where parting is no more if it should be our fate to meet no more here. I will write again as soon as I recover. Farewell for the present, love and kiss my little babies a thousand times for me.

Your husband faithful and true till death,
Volentine Hargrove Smith

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Volentine Hargrove Smith was inducted in Paris, Texas, as Private, Company B, 9th Texas Infantry (Young's), and later 8th Texas Regiment (Makup). He survived until the end of the war.

The 1860 census showed him in Sulphur Springs with four children; in April 1862 he was at Paris. The 1870 census listed him and his family at the Shirley Community. He died 18 March

1899 and is buried at Old Shirley Cemetery.

Volentine Hargrove Smith, b. 8 Apr 1829 Tennessee, d. 27 Sep 1897, Hopkins County, Texas, m. Rebecca Washington Alford 4 May 1854, b. ca1835 Bowling Green, Kentucky, d. 3 Mar 1899 [different date than in previous paragraph], Hopkins County, Texas, daughter of Daniel and May Alford. Their children—the “little ones”—were:

1. Andrew Nolan Smith, b. 7 Mar 1855, m. Mary Frances Pickett.
2. Dorothy Eleanor Smith, b. 1 Aug 1856, m. (1) Cyrus J. Clendening; (2) Lowery Amax.
3. Henry Lafayette Smith, b. 20 Nov 1857, m. Prescilla LaBell Bryant, d. 22 October 1929.
4. James Daniel Smith, b., 14 Feb 1859, d. 26 Feb 1877.
5. Jane Tomlinson Smith, b. 1 Apr 1861.
6. Angelene Alles Smith, b. 20 May 1862, m. John Hankins, d. 1 Jan

- 1906.
7. Mary Elizabeth Smith, b. 28 Feb 1866, d. 12 May 1885.
8. William Robert Smith, b. 20 Feb 1868, d. 3 Oct 1895.
9. Ida Arin Smith, b. 5 Jan 1870, d. 10 Sep 1895.
10. John Shelton Smith, b. 24 Jan 1872, m. Mendia Flanagan, d. 6 Dec 1942.
11. Cora Ellah Smith, b. 8 Jan 1874, m. W.C. Taylor, d. 1 Aug 1894.
12. Minnie Gray Smith, b. 26 Jan 1876, m. (1) Green Thompson, (2) James H. Burnett, d. 29 Aug 1946.

From *HOPKINS COUNTY (TX) HERITAGE*, December 1994, Hopkins County Genealogical Society. (Submitted to that publication by Illa Smith Kimbrell, Grand Prairie, Texas. Volentine Hargrove Smith is her grandfather. The original letter was in the family Bible purchased by V.H. Smith in 1853 at Clarksville, Texas. Smith Burnett, son of Jim Burnett and Minnie Smith, has the Bible now.) ❖

## Needham Judge Alford, Methodist Preacher

From: Branda, Eldon Stephen, editor. *The Handbook of Texas, A Supplement Volume III*. Austin, TX: The Texas State Historical Association, 1976 (copy sent by Carolyn Alford Saunders AAFA #673, who descends from Edwin Barksdale Alford, Needham's brother).

Needham Judge Alford was born July 12, 1789, in North Carolina, the son of Jacob and Elizabeth (Bryant) Alford. An early Methodist preacher in Texas, Alford, along with Sumner Bacon, a Cumberland Presbyterian, held a two-day meeting in Sabine County near present Milam in the spring of 1832. The meeting was a test of their determination to preach in the area against the opposition of James Gaines and others.

When a Mr. Johnson threatened to

horsewhip the first preacher who entered the stand, Alford, a strongly built man, said, “I am as able to take a whipping as any man on this ground,” and Johnson, taking notice of the muscular preacher, quietly retired. Before coming to Texas, Alford had been known in Louisiana as the bulldog preacher.

Needham was married to Martha Waddell (Waddle) in Franklin County, Mississippi, on February 18, 1815; they had nine children. Alford died September 19, 1869, in Limestone County near Horn Hill.

**BIBLIOGRAPHY:** George Louis Crocket, *Two Centuries in Texas* (1932); Homer S. Thrall, *History of Methodism in Texas* (1872).

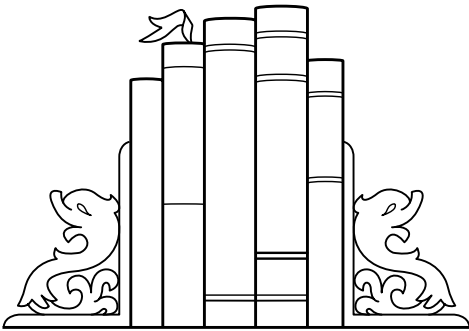
Carolyn also sent a copy of an undated

letter written by her grandfather, Joseph Martin Alford, that was written to his grandson Curtis Masingill, son of Jo Martin Alford Masingill. The letter quoted an article, containing much the same information as the preceding, from “a series of stories on early Texas history” that appeared in the *Fort Worth Star-Telegram* on 20 Feb 1928. Joseph closed the letter saying, “I thought you would be glad to know that you are a descendant of a REAL MAN even if he was a Preacher!”—and he signed it “Big-Dad.”

**AAFA NOTE:** Needham Judge Alford was the son of Jacob Alford (b. 1761, Franklin Co., NC) and Elizabeth Bryant. Jacob resided for a while in Georgia, and settled and died in Washington Parish, LA. ❖

## Booklist Additions

Please see the Winter 1996 issue for introductory comments about the Booklist. Thanks again to AAFA #259 Jare Pearigen for compiling and typing this material.



### MISSOURI

#### Greene County—established from Crawford, 1833

- *GREENE COUNTY, MISSOURI MARRIAGES, BOOK B, 1854–1866*. Springfield, MO: Ozarks Genealogical Society, Inc., 1989. Title page and one page that lists Alford (no variations): **Melton W.**, 24 (m. Martha Watts 24 Jan 1857).
- *GREENE COUNTY, MISSOURI MARRIAGES, BOOK C, 1866–1874*. Springfield, MO: Ozarks Genealogical Society, Inc., 1989. Title page and one page that lists Alford (no variations): **Mary L.**, 34 (m. John F. Wood of Webster Co. 4 Oct 1868).
- *GREENE COUNTY, MISSOURI MARRIAGES, BOOK D–E, 1874–1881*. Springfield, MO: Ozarks Genealogical Society, Inc., 1991. Title page and pages that list Alford (no variations): **Martha**, 36 (m. William A. Evans 10 Aug 1876—married at house of bride's father); **Milton W.**, 53 (m. Mary Ann Humble 3 Aug 1878).
- *GREENE COUNTY, MISSOURI MARRIAGES, BOOK F–G, 1881–1885*. Springfield, MO: Ozarks Genealogical Society, Inc., 1992. Title page and one page that lists Alford (no variations): **O.C.**, 20 (m. Mary E. Pickel 17 Nov 1882—**W.D.**, father of groom, gave consent—married at house of bride's father).
- *GREENE COUNTY, MISSOURI MARRIAGES, BOOK H–I, 1885–1891*. Springfield, MO: Ozarks Genealogical Society, Inc., 1993. Title page and pages that list Alford (no variations): **Irena V.**, 71 (m. John G. Hendrix 17 Apr 1889—bride and groom both of Washington Township); **John A.**, 90 (m. Goldy Dennis 2 Feb 1890).

- *INDEX TO CORONER'S RECORD BOOKS OF GREENE COUNTY 1875–1972*. Springfield, MO: Greene County Archives and Records Center, Office of the County Clerk, Apr 1992. Title page and one page that lists Alford (no variations). From *Greene County Archives Bulletins (Number 22)*: **Bert**, 3 (d. 11 May 1964, age 77); **Helene Irene**, 3 (d. 1 July 1961).

- Kelley, Daniel S., comp. *MARRIAGES IN GREENE COUNTY FROM YEAR 1900 THROUGH 1905* (Indexed). N.p.: N. pub., 1987. Title page and pages that list Alford (no variations): **Albert A.**, 74 (m. Norae Holey 26 June 1905); **G.M.**, 27 (m. Florence Beatie 27 Oct 1901); **James H.**, 61 (m. Ella Young 26 June 1904); **Lula F.**, 71 (m. Fred Oliver Tillman 12 March 1905); **Robert L.**, 63 (m. Amanda Hoover 2 Sept 1904).

- Kelley, Daniel S., comp. *MARRIAGES IN GREENE COUNTY FROM YEAR 1906 THROUGH 1911* (Indexed). N.p.: N. pub., 1987. Title page and pages that list Alford (no variations): **Bert**, 90 (m. Hazel Barnard 24 Oct 1909—both of Rogersville); Mrs. **Julia**, 118 (of Verona, MO, m. D.C. Dubois of Davenport, IA 20 Dec 1910); **Maggie**, 14 (m. Grover Dennie 16 Sept 1906—both of Palmetto).

#### Webster County—est. from Greene, Wright, 1855

- Ellsberry, Elizabeth Prather, comp. *WEBSTER COUNTY, MISSOURI WILL RECORDS 1857–1880, MARRIAGE RECORDS 1855–1867*. Chillicothe, MO: By the author, 1961. Title page, Index, and the only page that lists Alford or variations: **Riley ALFRED**, 9 (m. Nancy L. Weaver 12 July 1863).
- Gorman, Nettie W., comp. *OBITUARIES FROM "THE MARSHFIELD CHRONICLE" MARSHFIELD, MISSOURI*. Marshfield, MO: By the author, N.d. Title page and one page that list Alford (no variations): **John**, 43 (article printed 1 July 1897: "Buffalo, Mo., June 26—Frank Taylor was killed and John Taylor seriously wounded while attempting to rob **John Alford's** store at Wood Hill on Wednesday night.").
- Williams, Inabell (Stewart), comp. *WEBSTER COUNTY, MISSOURI MARRIAGE RETURNS*. Springfield, MO: Owens Printing Co., July 1979. Title page and one page that list Alford or variations: **Riley ALFRED**, 20 (m. Nancy L. Weaver 12 July 1863).
- Hutchins, Connie M., comp. *WEBSTER COUNTY, MISSOURI MARRIAGE LICENSE RECORD, Book 2, 8–*

1872 to 3–1887. Marshfield, MO: Webster Co. Printing, Oct 1992. Title page and one page that list Alford's (no variations): **W.D.**, no page number (m. Sarah A. Justis 17 Apr 1881—both of Greene Co. and married in presence of L.A. Sams).

- Gorman, Nettie W., comp. *EARLY SETTLERS OF WEBSTER COUNTY, MISSOURI*. Marshfield, MO: By the author, 1988. Title page and pages that list Alford's (no variations). Taken from "Old Settlers Column" published in *THE MARSHFIELD MAIL* 1905: **John**, 46 (husband of Clementine Kindrick who was a daughter of Joseph B. Kindrick and Louisa Hyde).

### Wright County—established from Pulaski, 1841

- *HISTORY AND FAMILIES, WRIGHT COUNTY, MISSOURI*. Paducah, KY: Turner Publishing Company, N.d. Title page, Index, and all pages that list Alford's (no variations): **Charley**, 163 (son of William and Jane, 1830–1900, never married); **John**, 163 (Reverend, son of William and Jane, 1841–1931, m. first Nancy L. Critcher who d. 1870; 400 (m. second Malissa Clementine Kindrick, b. 21 Nov 1847 and d. 10 Nov 1929. They are buried at Seymour, MO. Their children were **James A.**, **Thomas J.**, **Rufus F.**, **Robert L.**, **Louvinia A.** and **Cora L.** The parents of Clementine were Joseph Barnett Kindrick and Louisa H. Hyde); **Nancy**, 163 (son of William and Jane, 1834–1892 married James Connolly 1836–1926; **Pamera "Mary"**, 163 (daughter of William and Jane, b. 1840, m. Preston Burris 1850–1928); **Riley**, 163 and 598 (son of William and Jane, 1832–1876, m. Nancy Louisa Weaver, b. 6 Nov. 1841, daughter of Solomen Weaver and Elizabeth Fralick; d. 2 Apr. 1904—their children: **Elizabeth**, m. Wash Barker; **Jess**, m. Hulda Wilkinson; **Mary Melissa**, m. John Buttram; **William Franklin**, d. young.); **Susannah Jane**, 163 (daughter of William and Jane, 1836–1894, m. Wesley D. Pitchford, 1832–1914); **William**, 163 (b. 1803 and d. 1857—he and his wife Jane {1803–1857} left NC and settled near Duncan, Wright Co., MO in the late 1840's—William died soon after arriving, leaving Jane and seven children; many members of William's family are buried in Mt. Zion Cemetery near Duncan); 163 (son of William and Jane, 1837–1890, m. first Susan 1843–1875 and second Mary 1853–1922).

- *OBITUARIES AND DEATH NOTICES FROM WRIGHT COUNTY*. No publication data. These death notices and obituaries have been copied from the *WRIGHT CO. PROGRESS 1900–1910*. The original papers are in the possession of the Wright Co. Historical Society. Index and the only page that lists Alford's (no variations): **Thomas**, 1 (d. at his home near Duncan 9 Jan 1900 of typhoid fever—burial services 11 Jan 1900 at Mt. Zion. Notice was printed 12 Jan 1900).

## VIRGINIA

### Campbell County—established from Bedford, 1781–82

- Baber, Lucy Harrison Miller and Hazel Letts Williamson, comp. *MARRIAGES OF CAMPBELL COUNTY VIRGINIA, 1782–1810*. Baltimore, MD.: Genealogical Publishing Co., Inc., 1980. Title page and only page that lists Alford's (no variations): **John**, 7 (bond dated 28 July 1786 for marriage to Mary Brown—**John Alford** and Will Brown listed as bondsman).

- Early, Ruth Hairston. *CAMPBELL CHRONICLES AND FAMILY SKETCHES, Embracing the History of Campbell Co., Virginia 1782–1926*. Baltimore, MD.: Regional Publishing Company, 1978. Title page, Preface, Index and all pages relating to Alford's (no variations): **William**, 96 (in 1785, John Brown, an early settler around the Leesville community, purchased 200 acres, known as **Alford's Mountain**, from **Wm.** and **Martha Alford**).

### Fauquier County—established from Prince William, 1758

- Gott, John K., comp. *FAUQUIER COUNTY, VIRGINIA MARRIAGE BONDS, 1759–1854*. N. p.: N. pub., 1952–1954. Title page, Introduction, which contains abbreviations used, Contents, and only page that lists Alford's (no variations). **James**, 3 (bond dated 5 Jan. 1792 for marriage to Sarah Williams); **Ligar**, 3 (bond dated 2 July 1798 for marriage to Alcey Grimes).

### Henrico County—original shire, established 1634

- Weisiger, Benjamin B. III, comp. *COLONIAL WILLS OF HENRICO COUNTY, VIRGINIA, PART TWO, 1737–1781*, Abstracted. N. p.: N. pub., 1979. Title page and only page that lists Alford's (no variations): **John**, 101 (mentioned among persons who have accounts due to Mr. Thomas Clayton, no date).

- Weisiger, Benjamin B. III, comp. *HENRICO COUNTY, VIRGINIA DEEDS 1706–1737*. Richmond, VA: N. pub., 1985. Title page and only page that lists Alford's (no variations): **John**, 171 (grantee of deed from Thomas Matthews. Aug Court 1721).

### Lancaster County—established from Northumberland, York, 1651

- Lee, Ida Johnson, comp. *LANCASTER COUNTY, VIRGINIA MARRIAGE BONDS 1652–1850*. Baltimore, MD.:

Genealogical Publishing Co., Inc., 1972. Title page and all pages that list Alford's (no variations): **Elizabeth**, 6 (daughter of **Robt.** and **Marg. Alford**, bond dated 3 Apr 1800 for marriage to John Bradley); **Jane**, 53 (bond dated 3 July 1833 for marriage to Wm. Reaves); **John**, 1 (bond dated 18 Jan 1802 for marriage to Patty Jones); **Lucy**, 55 (bond dated 31 Dec 1811 for marriage to Cyrus Robinson); **Nathan**, 1 (bond dated 8 Feb 1811 for marriage to Nancy Bell).

Louisa County—established from Hanover, 1742

• Williams, Kathleen Booth, comp. *MARRIAGES OF LOUISA COUNTY VIRGINIA 1766–1815*. Harrisonburg, VA: C.J. Carrier Company, 1977. Title page and only page (unnumbered) that lists Alford's and variations: **Drury** (m. Betsey Cannon 13 March 1782); **Jacob** (m. Nancy Hunter 2 March 1779—**Hansel Alford** named as witness); **John ALFRED** (m. Nancy Hunter 9 Dec 1805).

Norfolk County—established from Lower Norfolk, 1636

• Wardell, Patrick G., comp. *VIRGINIANS & WEST VIRGINIANS 1607–1870, VOLUME 2*. Bowie, MD: Heritage Books Inc., 1988. Title page and only page that lists Alford's (no variations): **William Joseph, Sr.** (b. circa 1880, Norfolk {?}, second husband of Irene Alberta Morris—m. circa 1920); **William Joseph, Jr.** (b. circa 1921, Norfolk, son of William Joseph, Sr., and Irene Alberta Morris).

Rockingham County—established from Augusta, 1778

• Wardell, Patrick G., comp. *WAR OF 1812: VIRGINIA BOUNTY LAND & PENSION APPLICANTS*. Bowie, MD.: Heritage Books, Inc., 1987. Title page, Foreword, List of Abbreviations, Index and only page that lists Alford's (no variations): **Elizabeth**, 181 (m. 19 Aug 1837 in Rockingham Co. John Greyer who had received bounty land warrant.; John d. 5 Aug 1856 in Rockingham Co. and she d. circa 1891—last known residence Goods Mill, Rockingham Co. 1878).

• Wayland, John W. *A HISTORY OF ROCKINGHAM COUNTY, VIRGINIA*. Dayton, VA: Ruebush-Elkins Company, 1912. Title page, map, Index, and all pages that lists Alford's or variations: **John**, 55 (5 Dec 1774, weaver, listed with items purchased [?] from shopkeeper: shoe buckles, whisky, compasses, 3 doz. buttons); **Robert**, 458 (named as a Private in Company "H", 12th Virginia Cavalry); **John ALFRED**, 122 (included on Muster Roll of cavalry unit for the year 1828); **R.H. ALFRED**, 461 (listed in a Rockingham County Directory under the title of

"Physicians and Surgeons" and with an address in the Dayton community).

Washington County—established from Fincastle, Montgomery, 1776–77

• Chapla, John D. *48TH VIRGINIA INFANTRY*. Lynchburg, VA: H.E. Howard, Inc., 1989. From *The Virginia Regimental Histories Series*. Title page and the only page (unnumbered) that lists Alford's or variations: **Lawrence S.**

**ALFREDS** (Private, Company "I"—on 1860 census was age 16 and farmer in Washington Co., VA—enlisted there 18 June 1861 at age 16—deserted to enemy at Bunker Hill 26 Oct 1864 and took oath at Knoxville, TN—in 1864 described as 5'10", dark complexion, dark hair and dark eyes—entered R.E. Lee Soldiers Home, Richmond, VA at age 85 on 6 April 1928 and was released on 16 July 1930).

• Weaver, Jeffrey C. *22ND VIRGINIA CAVALRY*.

Lynchburg, VA: H.E. Howard, Inc., 1991. From *The Virginia Regimental Histories Series*. Title page and the only page (unnumbered) that lists Alford's or variations: **Lawrence S. ALFRED** (Company "C"—enlisted 1 Aug 1863 in Washington Co., VA—b. circa 1844/5 in Washington Co.—AWOL on 31 Oct 1863—also served in the 48th Virginia Infantry 18 June 1861 through 15 Oct 1861—no further record in the 48th until 26 Oct 1864 when he deserted—apparently conscripted into 22nd and transferred back to the 48th). ❖

### Steppin' Out in My Alford's

The Spring Preview 1996 issue of the Jos. A. Bank catalog of fine men's clothing carries a Cole-Haan shoe named "Alford"! Appearing in the Relaxed collection (rather than with Modern Classics, Essentials, or Joe's Casuals), the hand-burnished full-grain honey tan leather Alford loafer, with tassels, can be purchased to wear on your Alford feet for \$175. Call 1-800-285-2265 for a catalog.

## Fat Alford, Texas Cowboy

Those who read Gil Alford's *About Alford's* newsletter back in 1991 may remember the mention of Fat Alford. At the time it was known that he was the subject of a book *The Cowboy*. The author, Fred Gipson, is also the author of *Ole Yeller*.

AAFA has since purchased a copy of the book and made it available on loan from the AAFA library. Contact Nancy Alford Dietrich, AAFA librarian, Post Office Box 1838, Westport WA 98595, (206) 268-9045.

AAFA tried to get in touch with the publisher through Texas A&M Press to get permission to excerpt the book in *AAFA ACTION*. We were unable to get a response from the current holder of the literary rights, Beck Gipson. Therefore we will publish some of the highlights and recommend you borrow the book from the library. The book is now out of print and would be irreplaceable if lost. The library may ask for a substantial deposit to insure return of the book.

AAFA has some background information on Julius Eddie "Fat" Alford that was not in the book. He was born December 30, 1901 in Oklahoma and died December 19, 1981. He is buried in the Ozona Cemetery in Crockett County, Texas. Never married, he was the son of Edward J. Alford and Alice Casey. Fat's grandparent's were Erasmus Cade Alford and Francis C. Smith. Erasmus was born in Troup County, Georgia, and he and his descendants are related to all those who trace their Alford's back to Julius Alford who died in Greene County, GA in 1820. Erasmus and his family lived for some time in Arkansas, possibly in Arizona for a while, and in Oklahoma.

Evan Thomas, the editor of the book, wrote the foreword to the book, including these comments.

"... Fred's writing skill made me somehow 'identify' with Fat Alford in a wide variety of experiences, from a stampede resulting from a second's careless doze in the saddle, to a wolf-roping, to a miraculous two-horse roping, to a mountainside tour on one iron-jawed steed and including a tussle with a calf that seemed to benefit, if that's the word, from eight or ten extra legs aimed at a cowpunching flanker's teeth.

"Then, too, there are the humans who make up a very interesting part of Fat's otherwise lonely sojourn, ranging from a cowboy named Tiger, who is almost as larger-than-life as this sometime moviegoer could expect, to a chap properly named Sleepy to whom another wrangler, one Jess, had to address a physical crosscountry drag at the end of a rope together with—in part—the advice that 'you draw the same wages we do and while I'm around you'll do the same amount of work.'

"Alford got involved with some memorable steeds, including one named Funeral Wagon, who suffered almost as much from the side effects of poor-quality prohibition booze as did his blood- and whiskey-soaked rider, and 'old Paint', who could run so way in front of his racing competitors that it seemed part comedy when he just somehow lost interest at a crucial time."

In his "Author's Note," Fred Gipson wrote:

"This is the true story of a West Texas cowhand. That it turned out to be the story of a 'typical' cowhand, is, for me, purely incidental. I gathered Ed Alford's stories because his are the kind I like.... But since my friend Ed, better known as 'Fat,' is probably as representative a cowboy as can be found anywhere, perhaps the reader may know more about all real cowboys when he has read the tales of this one.

"By Hollywood standards, Fat is a far cry from being a typical cowhand. He never shot a man in his life. He never chased a rustler across the Rio Grande. He never rescued a beautiful girl from ruthless bandits and rode off into the sunset with his arm about her waist. He never carved a cattle empire out of a 'howling wilderness.'

"The truth is, he doesn't even look like a cowboy. He's too squat and heavy; he's too short-legged and bullnecked. He's so potbellied and yet so hipless that some consider it a minor miracle that his pants aren't forever slipping down to hang around his hocks. It is very doubtful that he could hire on as a Hollywood extra in the quickest of quickie Westerns.

"But, in ranch country, when a cowman sets out to hire help, he's not much concerned with a man's sex appeal or photogenic qualities; what he's looking for is a man who can get the job done, a *working* cowhand. And Fat Alford is that.

"He can rope a cow out of a brush patch so thick that a Hollywood cowboy couldn't crawl into it on his hands and knees. He can break a horse for riding, doctor a wormy sheep, make a balky gasoline engine pump water for thirsty cattle, tail up a winter-poor cow, or punch a string of post holes across a rocky ridge. He can make out with patched gear, sorry mounts, and skimpy grub, and still get the job done. He can do it in freezing weather or under a sun 'hot enough to raise blisters on a boot heel.' And all the time, under any circumstances, he works with the thorough understanding that it's the livestock that counts, not the cowhand."

"On top of all this, he's got a quality common to most working cowhands: a

way of meeting life head on, with a recklessness and a wildness of spirit and a real relish for conquering it. He goes after life as if it were something that had to be roped in a hurry before it got away. And whether he catches it or not, it's a good chase, worth the try, and will make an entertaining yarn to tell the next time he runs into somebody like me." —Fred Gipson

The book jacket blurb tells us a little more about Fat:

"Although he never chased a rustler or rescued a pretty girl and probably couldn't even hire on as an extra in a B-grade western, Ed Alford (or 'Fat') has worked cattle most of his life. Fred Gipson's vivid, earthy book about this cowhand ... tells what the job is really like—the hardships, the hell-raising, and the sheer monotony of daily tasks.

"Fat Alford became a cowboy because he didn't think picking cotton was any way for a man to make a living. Although he may not have looked much like a cowboy and certainly started out green, he learned to rope a cow in impenetrable brush, to break a mean horse, to get by with poor gear, worse food, and sorry mounts in freezing cold or blistering heat and still get the job done. All this, of course, knowing that it is the livestock and not the hand that counts.

"But there was another side to this life, too—the high times in town, the not so harmless pranks that Fat and his fellows practiced on each other, the ingenious ways they found to supplement their meager pay. Like most of his kind, Fat has always met life head on....

"Ranching has changed drastically since Fat Alford was hiring on with whoever needed a good hand, and Fat himself, who now lives in Ozona, Texas, is more or less retired. But Gipson's warm and rousing account captures the vivid reality of how it was and introduces us to a remarkable character—a working cowhand."

Carolyn Alford Saunders sent the following excerpt from a book she found, *FRED GIPSON, TEXAS STORY TELLER*, by Mike Cox (Austin, TX: Shoal Creek Publishers, Inc., 1980).

The sober reality, though, was that Gipson was going to have to write again if he wanted there to be another world premier of a movie based on his work. The next project he had in mind, however, probably would not appeal to the moviemakers.

For years, he had known of an interesting old cowboy at Ozona, about eighty miles from San Angelo. He was no Hollywood cowboy. He was just a hard-working old boy who, though he had never shot up a saloon or faced a hanging for something he had not done, knew which end of the cow got up first. Gipson had learned long ago the difference between the cowboy of truth and the cowboy of fiction, and he believed the reading public would like to see the story of a real cowboy. The best candidate he could think of was Ed (Fat) Alford. Gipson proposed the biography to Thomas, "... since I still seem baffled as to what to try next in the fiction line."

After some consideration, Thomas gave Gipson a green light on the idea.

Alford could tell a story almost as well as Gipson. The only problem was in getting the old cowboy penned long enough to start talking and reach a financial agreement satisfactory to both of them. After a little "horse trading," a skill neither man lacked, they agreed Gipson would get the first \$2,000 in royalties on the book, with eighty percent of the proceeds thereafter going to Gipson, twenty percent to Alford."

Even after the money agreement was reached, Gipson still had a difficult time getting together with Alford. Tommie wrote Thomas at *Harpers*: "We keep not writing because there keeps on being nothing to write about. Most frustrating .... Right now Fred is

in Dallas working on a possible *Reader's Digest* story on a research foundation somewhere around there. But when he gets back, he is going to make one more try at getting Ed corraled. If that fails, we'll just forget about that one."

.... Despite his worry about the worsening Texas drought, which considerably affected his grass-seeding plans, Gipson was keeping the Alford book on track. He had had several long interviews with the cowboy, using a wire recorder for the first time in his career, although he still found taking notes more comfortable....

.... *Cowhand* [sic], Gipson's biography of Alford, was published in September with good reviews, if modest sales. The reading public was apparently more interested in the cowboy of legend than the cowboy of reality. Elmer Kelton reviewed the book for the San Angelo newspaper: "Gipson's book is one that will put a broad grin across the face of any West Texan who has ever lived and worked on a ranch or around ranch people. Mostly, it is humorous, crammed with chuckles and liberally sprinkled with belly laughs."

The book was entertaining and written with entertainment in mind for the most part, but it did dwell on an irony: Although Alford had worked cattle, dug post holes, and climbed windmills most of his life, he had always done so for some one else. Like Gipson, in a way, he had not accumulated much of his own, except a lot of memories, good and bad. Also like Gipson, Alford had finally got himself a ranch—five sections in the New Mexico high country near the Arizona border. Alford would have liked more land, but it was a start. "And one in the stirrup is all an experienced cowhand ever asks of a bronc he's fixing to step across," as Gipson said in the book....

By early fall, *Cowhand* had sold 5,500 copies at \$2.95 each, and condensation rights had been sold for \$1,200.... ❖



# Autauga County, Alabama, Alfords

By Robin Alford Sterling, Gil Alford, and non-member Larry Nobles

Robin Sterling, AAFA #320, extracted most of the following information on Autauga County Alfords from the files of Larry W. Nobles, 101 Deer Trace Street, Prattville, Alabama 36367-3803, which he found on the Internet.

## 1830 Census

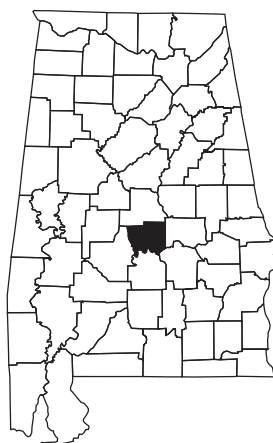
no Alfords

## 1840 Census

Isaac H. Alford  
William Alford

AAFA NOTE: See *AAFA ACTION*, Spring 1995, "'Alfords' in the 1830 & 1840 Alabama Censuses," pp. 37-38; same issue, "Isaac H. Alford," p. 35. Isaac H. Alford was in Harris County, GA in 1830—just he and a younger wife. We are comfortable with the idea they were those who married in Jones County, GA December 23, 1827 as Isaac Alford and Matilda Bayne. In 1840 their household included, in addition to the senior male and female, 2 females and 1 male. We assume them to be their daughters and son. We assume that it was one of the daugh-

ters, Donida N. Alford, who married James G. Hamilton Aug 2, 1849 as per entry under "Marriage Records" below. We suppose that his first wife died between 1840 and 1850 and on April 24, 1849 he married Elizabeth Stephens as per entry under "Marriage Records" below. There was a 17 year old Cynthia Davenport living with Isaac and his new young bride in 1850.



Do we have some Davenport kin there that we were not aware of? We have not found Isaac in any census after 1850. We think one of the daughters married but what happened to the other one and the son? Of course Cynthia Davenport could be a daughter who

married and was living with her father and step-mother but that seems unlikely.

## 1850 Census

Isaac H. and Elizabeth Alford  
William, Clarisa, George, and James Alford

AAFA NOTE: See *AAFA ACTION*, Summer 1995, p. 38. See comments about Isaac H. and Elizabeth under 1850 census above. We suspect that William was a brother of Isaac H. Alford but have not been able to prove that. We believe this William is likely to be the same William who married Clarasa Phillips October 12, 1835 in Harris County, Georgia. That Harris County connection and the fact that Isaac H. was enumerated there in 1830 plus the fact both were born in North Carolina reinforce the theory that they were brothers. We do not know what happened to William Alford but are confident that it was his wife and children who were enumerated in Tallapoosa County, AL in 1860, when the family consisted of Clarissa, George W., James J. (both agree with the 1850 enumeration) and Elizabeth L. and Ann E. Elizabeth was ten years old so William must have been with the family until very recently. We can follow part of this family back to Georgia and down to present day members of AAFA.

Larry also sent a printout of the Alford index from Autauga County Land Records, which is not yet on the Internet.

| <u>Name No. 1</u> | <u>Trans</u> | <u>Name No. 2</u>    | <u>Date</u> | <u>Book</u> | <u>Pg</u> |
|-------------------|--------------|----------------------|-------------|-------------|-----------|
| Alford, Isaac H.  | from         | Halloway, Joseph     | 11 May 1838 | DA          | 592       |
| Alford, Isaac H.  | to           | Rodgers & Smith      | 9 Jan 1838  | DB          | 372       |
| Alford, Isaac H.  | to           | McMorris & Myers     | 2 Mar 1847  | DE          | 121       |
| Alford, J.        | to           | Bank                 | 25 Nov 1837 | DA          | 262       |
| Alford, J.H.      | to           | McMorris, Wm.        | 31 Aug 1843 | D2          |           |
| Alford, J.H.      | to           | McMorris, H.W.       | 17 Apr 1839 | DB          | 2         |
| Alford, J.H.      | to           | Myers & Cox          | 20 Aug 1849 | DE          | 439       |
| Alford, J.H.      | to           | Hamilton, D.N.       | 11 Feb 1852 | DF          | 174       |
| Alford, J.H.      | to           | Sewell, J.Q.         | 1 Aug 1837  | DA          | 78        |
| Alford, Wm.       | to           | Tarleton, J. & B. P. | 3 Mar 1841  | DD          | 383       |

## 1860 Census

no Alfords

## Birth Records 1908-1916

no Alfords

## Cemetery Records

Decie H. Alford, b. 25 Nov 1912; d. 28 Sep 1982; Owens Cemetery

SOURCE: Autauga County Land Records on file at Autauga County Courthouse.

LARRY NOBLE'S NOTE: According

to Mr. Albert Owens of Prattville—who is connected with the Owens of the cemetery—Decie was previously married to a Neil Fuller. They had children and divorced and she married an Alford. One of her daughters by Fuller is Mrs. Katie Barber, 264 Walnut Street, Prattville, AL 36067, telephone (334) 365-7900. Neither the Alford nor the Fullers had any ties to the Owens family. She was buried there, according to Mr. Albert Owens, because “they had no where else to bury her.”

## Death Records 1906-1917

no Alford

## Marriage Records

I.H. Alford and Elizabeth Stephens  
24 Apr 1849  
Donida N. Alford and James G.  
Hamilton 2 Aug 1849

AAFA NOTE: See Isaac H. Alford under “Index to 1840 census” above. “Alabama ‘Alford’ Marriages” was published in *AAFA ACTION*, Winter 1995, p. 40, but neither of these marriages appeared on that list. Another list of Alabama marriages, “Alabama Marriage Index, 1936–1969,” was published in the Fall 1995 issue, p. 26. The following Autauga County marriages are on that list:

Bobbie Alford—Nov 20 1944  
Bobbie Alford—Jul 9 1945  
Claude T. Alford—Aug 28 1948  
Edna E. Alford—May 4 1944  
Fletcher Alford, Jr.—Aug \_\_ 1960  
Lummie Alford, Jr.—Sep \_\_ 1946  
Mamie Alford—Dec 10 1950  
Norman H. Alford—Feb \_\_ 1957  
Robert F. Alford—Mar 12 1949  
Sue Alford—Dec \_\_ 1967  
William Alford—Dec 30 1944

## Index to Orphans Court Records

Isaac H. Alford 23 Dec 1852 “G”  
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AAFA NOTE: Isaac may have been posting a Guardian’s Bond; perhaps the children involved were his brother William’s. Does anyone have access to this actual record?

## County Commissioners Court Records

AAFA NOTE: It can be assumed that most of those identified as Isaac before 1850 and William before 1860 pertain to those mentioned under the 1840 and 1850 census listings above. The others suggest the possibility of learning something about the names of the sons of Isaac H. and/or William.

The following is from the Commissioners Court Records, Book of 1842-1853:

Alford, J.W.  
P. 59. “Ordered that J.W. Alford be appointed overseer of the Coosada and Washington Road in Beat No. 4 from Washington to Pine Creek Road. 2 years.”

Alford, WM.  
P. 17. “Ordered that . . . Wm. Alford be appointed overseer of the Stage Road from Coxes Ferry to Nolan Creek. 2 years.”

Alford, ISAAC  
P. 119. “Ordered that . . . Isaac Alford . . . be appointed supervisor of the roads in Beat No. 6. 2 years.”

Alford, J.C.  
P. 152. “Ordered that J.W. alford (*sic*) be appointed assessor in Beat No. 4 in place of J. Mathews who refused to accept the appointment.

Alford, ISAAC H.  
P. 166. “. . . Isaac H. Alford appointed Assessor for Beat No. 4.”

Alford, J.C.  
P. 186. not extracted

Alford, J.H.  
P. 194. “J.H. Alford be allowed one 20/100 dollars in assesment of his taxes.”

Alford, ISAAC C.  
P. 195. “Ordered that Issac H. (*sic*) Alford be allowed the sum of fifteen dollars for extra services rendered as District Assessor for the year 1848.”

Alford, J.W.  
P. 212. “Ordered that J.W. Alford be allowed the sum of twenty-seven and 10/100 for serveces (*sic*) as Tax Assessor in District No. 4.”

Alford, WM.  
P. 213. [Wm. Alford’s name appears on a list that has no heading. It appears to be a tax assesment list; shows amount of \$50.20 by Alford’s name. L.W.N.]

Alford, WM.  
P. 217. “Ordered that Wm. Alford be appointed overseer of the road from Montgomery’s Ferry to Wm. Cheek’s Church in Beat No. 4.”

Alford, ISAAC H.  
P. 243. “Ordered that Isaac H. Alford be appointed overseer of the road in Beat 4 of the Washington to Coosada Road.”

Alford, WM.  
P. 244. “Ordered that Wm. Alford be appointed overseer of the road in Beat No. 4 from Reses Ferry to Wm. Cheeks Road.”

Alford, ISAAC H.  
P. 257. “February Term, 1851. . . . Ordered that . . . Isaac H. Alford . . . be appointed jurors of review to examine and determine the propriority of discontinuing the road running by the Tavern lot in the town of Washington to the ditch near the brick yard, and report to the next term of this court to be held the first Monday in May next.” ♦

## “Alfords” in California SS Decedent File

By Gil Alford, Senior Associate for Alford Family Systems

**T**he “Alfords” on the list below are from the California Social Security Decedent File. The subject may have been born, registered for Social Security, or died in California.

You can request a copy of a deceased person’s original Social Security Application (SS-5) by writing to the address below. Include the information given for the deceased and \$7. (The fee is \$16.50 if the Social Security number is not known.)

SSA, Office of Public Affairs  
Freedom of Information Staff  
4-C-10 Annex Building  
6401 Security Boulevard  
Baltimore, MD 21235

The latest death dates shown in the SS file are 1991 but there are only about 20 in that year—1 in California. Generally, the deaths are from 1941 (although the program began in 1934) through 1990. Until recently many people were not in the Social Security system. For example, self-employed persons, including farmers, were excluded for years. Military and federal civil service personnel were not in it until the 1980’s. (I retired in 1981 and was never under SS except as a kid before going into service in WW II.) We also know of people who were in SS and who have died but are not listed. We also know of a few cases in which there

are errors. As with most data, researchers must take this information as a clue about where to go for further evidence.

In previous issues we have published the Social Security Decedent lists for Missouri (Spring 1996), Louisiana (Winter 1996), Virginia and West Virginia (Summer 94), and Mississippi (June 1991 and Sept 1991). We will be publishing the list for Alabama in the next issue, with the remaining states to follow. If you have an urgent need for another Alford list from the Social Security Decedent file, contact AAFA.

The SS numbers used for California are 545–573. Those on Rail Road Retirement had SS numbers 700–728.

### EXPLANATION OF HEADINGS

“Born or Registered” is the date and state where the decedent was either born or where he registered with SS.

“Died” is the date and state of death.

“Zip 1” is where the Social Security benefits were last mailed during the person’s life.

“City”, if any, is based on Zip 1 and is not found in the Decedent File. AAFA added this information.

“Zip 2” (in parentheses) is where the death benefits were mailed, indicated only if different from Zip 1.

“RR” if used instead of a state means the person was on RailRoad Pension.

| Name     | SS Number | Born or Registered | Died          | Zip 1 City (Zip 2)                  |
|----------|-----------|--------------------|---------------|-------------------------------------|
| A        | ALFORD    | 549-32-3369        | 11/05/1903 CA | 06/00/1974 CA 90604 Whittier        |
| A        | ALFORD    | 555-09-5152        | 07/08/1916 CA | 03/00/1984 OR 97702 Bend            |
| AARON    | ALFORD    | 549-03-7262        | 02/13/1913 CA | 06/00/1976 00000 —                  |
| ADA      | ALFORD    | 568-52-5787        | 07/13/1893 CA | 03/00/1984 CA 92262 Palm Springs    |
| ADELAIDE | ALFORD    | 549-16-7839        | 12/07/1909 CA | 11/00/1979 CA 94606 Oakland 94114   |
| ADELE    | ALFORD    | 565-03-0569        | 07/16/1884 CA | 09/00/1966 CA 92109 San Diego       |
| ALAN     | ALFORD    | 565-60-4066        | 12/02/1944 CA | 10/00/1976 00000 —                  |
| ALBERT   | ALFORD    | 572-18-2057        | 03/29/1892 CA | 06/00/1965 CA 00000 —               |
| ALBERT   | HOLFORD   | 564-16-2729        | 10/20/1898 CA | 01/00/1986 CA 93406 San Luis Obispo |
| ALBERT   | ALFORD    | 558-14-0606        | 01/08/1906 CA | 01/00/1986 CA 94806 San Pablo       |
| ALBERT   | ALFORD    | 550-10-9789        | 01/28/1918 CA | 10/00/1958 00000 —                  |
| ALBERTA  | ALFORD    | 545-24-0747        | 03/16/1916 CA | 09/05/1988 90011 Los Angeles        |
| ALEX     | ALFORD    | 564-12-5255        | 03/15/1894 CA | 11/00/1982 TX 77004 Houston         |
| ALICE    | ALFRED    | 565-21-8243        | 02/11/1891 CA | 05/00/1973 CA 90003 Los Angeles     |
| ALICE    | ALVORD    | 552-22-6547        | 09/12/1893 CA | 07/00/1985 CA 90403 Santa Monica    |
| ALICE    | ALFORD    | 560-44-3752        | 01/16/1907 CA | 04/00/1985 CA 93901 Salinas         |
| ALICE    | ALFRED    | 559-50-4311        | 09/19/1937 CA | 07/00/1972 00000 —                  |
| ALLAN    | ALVORD    | 560-56-6119        | 02/11/1942 CA | 07/00/1981 00000 —                  |
| ALLEN    | HOLFORD   | 552-22-4726        | 08/22/1894 CA | 10/00/1953 00000 —                  |

| Name     | SS Number | Born or Registered | Died          | Zip 1 City (Zip 2)                         |
|----------|-----------|--------------------|---------------|--------------------------------------------|
| ALMA     | ALFORD    | 183-10-9299        | 10/06/1910 PA | 06/00/1975 CA 95620 Dixon                  |
| ALMA     | ALFORD    | 439-22-7512        | 12/29/1912 LA | 12/00/1977 CA 90744 Wilmington 90222       |
| ALTUS    | HALLFORD  | 526-18-5714        | 03/11/1920 AZ | 10/00/1974 CA 94303 Palo Alto              |
| ALVA     | ALFORD    | 549-10-4391        | 05/16/1898 CA | 05/13/1989 90603 Whittier                  |
| AMANDA   | ALFORD    | 554-72-1882        | 09/01/1877 CA | 03/00/1972 CA 91106 Pasadena               |
| AMANDA   | HALFORD   | 566-30-5274        | 08/28/1900 CA | 08/00/1986 OK 74959 Spiro                  |
| AMELIA   | ALVORD    | 549-10-8399        | 01/09/1906 CA | 08/00/1975 OK 74401 Muskogee               |
| AMOS     | ALFORD    | 431-22-1102        | 09/14/1892 AR | 06/00/1968 CA 94801 Richmond               |
| ANGUS    | ALFORD    | 546-28-8141        | 05/15/1897 CA | 03/00/1982 AR 71960 Norman                 |
| ANN      | ALFORD    | 135-54-8219        | 12/10/1877 NJ | 12/00/1980 CA 95620 Dixon                  |
| ANN      | ALFORD    | 559-05-3992        | 06/14/1881 CA | 12/00/1974 CA 92373 Redlands               |
| ANN      | ALFRED    | 551-18-1719        | 02/16/1906 CA | 01/00/1976 CA 94109 San Francisco          |
| ANNETTE  | ALFORD    | 426-72-8801        | 04/14/1941 MS | 09/00/1981 CA 91767 Pomona                 |
| ANNIE    | ALFORD    | 570-28-0587        | 02/22/1919 CA | 02/00/1983 CA 93610 Chowchilla             |
| ANTHONY  | HALFORD   | 557-18-8813        | 03/22/1904 CA | 03/00/1967 OR 97439 Florence               |
| ARCHER   | ALFORD    | 560-14-6035        | 06/24/1897 CA | 03/00/1980 CA 92399 Yucaipa                |
| ARTHUR   | ALVORD    | 560-10-1676        | 01/09/1893 CA | 11/00/1978 CA 93060 Santa Paula            |
| ARTHUR   | ALVORD    | 551-05-3703        | 12/12/1898 CA | 06/00/1965 CA 00000 —                      |
| ARTHUR   | HALFORD   | 551-12-9460        | 08/06/1906 CA | 02/00/1983 CA 90064 Los Angeles            |
| ARTHUR   | ALFORD    | 441-03-1927        | 08/04/1910 OK | 10/00/1982 CA 95351 Modesto 95354          |
| ARTHUR   | ALFORD    | 554-38-9863        | 10/07/1914 CA | 09/00/1970 CA 92070 Santa Ysabel           |
| ARTICE   | ALFORD    | 553-05-8441        | 09/01/1908 CA | 04/00/1970 00000 —                         |
| AUBREY   | ALFORD    | 555-09-7074        | 02/01/1909 CA | 09/00/1975 CA 92647 Huntington Beach       |
| AUBRY    | ALFORD    | 556-22-5414        | 07/11/1922 CA | 05/00/1963 00000 —                         |
| BEN      | ALFORD    | 431-26-6643        | 12/14/1885 AR | 02/00/1987 CA 90008 Los Angeles            |
| BENJAMIN | ALFORD    | 564-10-6666        | 08/20/1888 CA | 08/00/1972 CA 90804 Long Beach             |
| BERNICE  | ALFORD    | 547-24-2139        | 04/20/1904 CA | 08/00/1986 OR 97504 Medford                |
| BERNICE  | ALFORD    | 570-28-9731        | 06/18/1909 CA | 05/00/1976 CA 93277 Visalia                |
| BERNICE  | ALFORD    | 572-10-1566        | 07/19/1917 CA | 02/00/1983 CA 95451 Kelseyville            |
| BERT     | ALFORD    | 560-05-6475        | 02/12/1907 CA | 04/00/1980 OK 73501 Lawton                 |
| BERTHA   | ALFORD    | 508-24-6984        | 01/01/1890 NE | 05/00/1985 CA 93610 Chowchilla             |
| BERTHA   | HALFORD   | 555-40-0856        | 10/26/1897 CA | 09/00/1980 MN 55021 Faribault              |
| BERTHA   | ALFORD    | 560-22-5493        | 07/16/1897 CA | 01/00/1972 CA 95376 Tracy                  |
| BERTIE   | HALFORD   | 568-28-7986        | 09/15/1902 CA | 04/17/1988 75227 Dallas                    |
| BETTY    | ALFORD    | 571-07-7363        | 06/05/1919 CA | 07/21/1988 91764 Ontario                   |
| BETTY    | HALLFORD  | 569-68-9122        | 12/30/1935 CA | 09/00/1987 CA 95991 Yuba City              |
| BILL     | ALFORD    | 430-32-1484        | 03/30/1927 AR | 10/00/1980 CA 95422 Clearlake              |
| BILLY    | ALFORD    | 549-40-0896        | 07/00/1927 CA | 02/00/1973 00000 —                         |
| BLANCHE  | ALVORD    | 555-21-4970        | 05/07/1896 CA | 09/00/1984 CA 91202 Glendale               |
| BLANCHE  | ALFORD    | 545-14-5836        | 05/27/1898 CA | 04/09/1988 90061 Los Angeles               |
| BOYCE    | ALVORD    | 549-01-5864        | 03/22/1901 CA | 11/00/1969 CA 95126 San Jose               |
| BRENT    | ALFORD    | 568-26-5076        | 03/04/1923 CA | 07/00/1990 40203 Louisville                |
| BUCK     | ALFORD    | 530-09-9355        | 10/29/1905 NV | 11/00/1979 CA 95350 Modesto                |
| BUDD     | ALFORD    | 552-22-2021        | 08/01/1920 CA | 12/00/1985 CA 94553 Martinez               |
| BURTON   | ALFRED    | 569-22-7560        | 07/02/1888 CA | 04/00/1963 CA 00000 —                      |
| BYRON    | HALLFORD  | 547-09-2331        | 09/29/1914 CA | 11/01/1989 85029 Phoenix                   |
| C        | ALFORD    | 550-24-6899        | 10/24/1908 CA | 03/00/1972 ID 83856 Priest River           |
| C        | HALFORD   | 560-05-1313        | 03/25/1916 CA | 09/00/1986 CA 91720 Corona                 |
| CALVERT  | HALLFORD  | 554-22-2214        | 02/07/1899 CA | 11/00/1972 CA 93230 Hanford                |
| CARL     | ALFORD    | 469-10-7764        | 08/24/1897 MN | 08/00/1979 CA 91201 Glendale               |
| CARL     | HALFORD   | 342-10-5962        | 10/02/1910 IL | 01/00/1985 CA 92107 San Diego              |
| CARL     | ALFORD    | 564-16-2664        | 01/22/1915 CA | 11/00/1980 CA 91730 Rancho Cucamonga 91761 |

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| CARL      | HOLFORD  | 554-76-6201 | 10/30/1950 CA      | 08/00/1973    | 00000 —              |
| CARLTON   | HALFORD  | 554-34-3427 | 10/31/1923 CA      | 01/00/1985 CA | 90280 South Gate     |
| CARRIE    | ALVORD   | 442-03-3030 | 03/30/1912 OK      | 09/00/1985 CA | 95258 Woodbridge     |
| CECIL     | HALLFORD | 258-24-8143 | 05/12/1920 GA      | 09/00/1972 CA | 90805 Long Beach     |
| CELIA     | HALLFORD | 570-14-3604 | 01/14/1919 CA      | 08/00/1986 CA | 95351 Modesto        |
| CHARLES   | ALFORD   | 568-42-7967 | 10/19/1885 CA      | 11/00/1966 CA | 91761 Ontario        |
| CHARLES   | HOLFORD  | 525-01-9325 | 06/21/1891 NM      | 07/00/1982 CA | 92343 Hemet          |
| CHARLES   | ALFORD   | 564-10-1003 | 01/22/1906 CA      | 10/20/1990    | 92343 Hemet          |
| CHARLES   | ALFORD   | 561-05-2810 | 05/27/1906 CA      | 10/00/1979 CA | 94565 Pittsburg      |
| CHARLES   | ALFORD   | 563-07-9704 | 07/02/1908 CA      | 02/00/1982 CA | 91107 Pasadena       |
| CHARLES   | HALFORD  | 558-14-6591 | 03/26/1912 CA      | 01/00/1987 CA | 95376 Tracy          |
| CHARLES   | ALFORD   | 547-22-0232 | 01/17/1916 CA      | 10/00/1974 CA | 90731 San Pedro      |
| CHARLES   | ALFORD   | 570-12-1237 | 04/01/1924 CA      | 12/00/1966    | 00000 —              |
| CHARLES   | HOLFORD  | 563-30-4803 | 12/07/1925 CA      | 02/00/1976    | 00000 —              |
| CHARLES   | ALFORD   | 413-42-2423 | 05/04/1931 TN      | 05/00/1973 CA | 90745 Carson         |
| CHARLIE   | ALFORD   | 547-20-0109 | 07/04/1917 CA      | 12/00/1986 IL | 60637 Chicago        |
| CHARLOTTE | HOLFORD  | 552-21-8995 | 05/19/1899 CA      | 07/05/1988    | 91020 Montrose       |
| CHESTER   | ALFORD   | 555-24-1709 | 07/15/1914 CA      | 02/00/1969    | 00000 —              |
| CHRISTINE | ALFORD   | 549-32-6676 | 04/04/1885 CA      | 08/00/1975 OH | 45215 Cincinnati     |
| CLARA     | ALFORD   | 569-34-7516 | 01/31/1876 CA      | 06/00/1969 CA | 90805 Long Beach     |
| CLARA     | ALFORD   | 545-01-5260 | 05/04/1890 CA      | 04/00/1973 CA | 94403 San Mateo      |
| CLARA     | ALFORD   | 362-22-0375 | 07/07/1905 MI      | 03/00/1984 CA | 90745 Carson         |
| CLARA     | ALFORD   | 548-24-6885 | 08/09/1908 CA      | 05/00/1972 OK | 74015 Catoosa        |
| CLARENCE  | ALVORD   | 546-18-0653 | 05/23/1902 CA      | 10/00/1986 NE | 69129 Chappell       |
| CLARENCE  | ALFORD   | 456-07-0257 | 05/23/1904 TX      | 07/00/1987 CA | 93203 Arvin          |
| CLARENCE  | ALVORD   | 552-03-1030 | 04/23/1905 CA      | 02/00/1988    | 93610 Chowchilla     |
| CLARICE   | ALFORD   | 351-12-2033 | 01/16/1925 IL      | 09/00/1978 CA | 91764 Ontario        |
| CLAUDE    | ALFORD   | 567-16-5016 | 04/20/1889 CA      | 07/00/1973 MO | 65713 Niangua        |
| CLAUDE    | ALVORD   | 562-05-4626 | 12/04/1894 CA      | 08/00/1982 TX | 75418 Bonham         |
| CLAUDE    | ALFORD   | 431-05-1903 | 10/21/1905 AR      | 05/00/1978 CA | 94086 Sunnyvale      |
| CLAUDE    | ALFORD   | 432-28-2577 | 08/29/1925 AR      | 03/00/1975 CA | 95014 Cupertino      |
| CLEO      | ALFORD   | 555-50-2501 | 06/14/1901 CA      | 08/00/1968 CA | 92405 San Bernardino |
| CLEO      | ALLFORD  | 298-07-3213 | 05/18/1907 OH      | 07/00/1987 CA | 92655 Midway City    |
| CLYDE     | HALFORD  | 559-03-7443 | 09/10/1890 CA      | 04/00/1975 CA | 94520 Concord        |
| CLYDE     | ALFRED   | 530-07-6204 | 07/01/1916 NV      | 09/00/1970 CA | 92041 La Mesa        |
| CLYDE     | ALFORD   | 548-01-2738 | 02/17/1916 CA      | 02/27/1989    | 90503 Torrance       |
| COLUMBUS  | HOLFORD  | 548-08-6336 | 01/26/1964 CA      | 10/00/1982    | 00000 —              |
| CONNIE    | HOLFORD  | 567-17-6170 | 10/18/1968 CA      | 11/00/1983 CA | 92123 San Diego      |
| CORA      | HALLFORD | 553-56-8947 | 03/09/1905 CA      | 02/00/1980 CA | 94501 Alameda        |
| CORDY     | ALFORD   | 545-38-4635 | 09/30/1882 CA      | 01/00/1977 NM | 88132 Rogers 88130   |
| CORINZER  | ALFORD   | 569-44-3840 | 12/01/1926 CA      | 10/28/1990    | 28213 Charlotte      |
| CREOLA    | ALFORD   | 573-28-7818 | 08/28/1908 CA      | 03/00/1976 CA | 90601 Whittier       |
| CULLEY    | ALFORD   | 442-07-9505 | 11/22/1896 OK      | 05/00/1964 CA | 00000 —              |
| DAISY     | ALFORD   | 568-06-4868 | 06/05/1887 CA      | 08/00/1973 CA | 95060 Santa Cruz     |
| DAVID     | ALFORD   | 567-34-9480 | 02/01/1930 CA      | 09/00/1980 OR | 97365 Newport        |
| DAWNINE   | HALFORD  | 567-16-3231 | 07/31/1894 CA      | 06/00/1977 CA | 95354 Modesto        |
| DELBERT   | ALFORD   | 445-01-6856 | 10/22/1915 OK      | 02/00/1978 CA | 93534 Lancaster      |
| DELONZO   | ALFORD   | 545-05-1312 | 02/15/1889 CA      | 03/00/1969 CA | 95482 Ukiah          |
| DOCK      | HALLFORD | 547-09-2332 | 10/05/1906 CA      | 02/00/1978 OK | 74437 Henryetta      |
| DON       | ALFORD   | 461-09-1945 | 07/26/1910 TX      | 04/00/1979 CA | 95127 San Jose       |
| DONALD    | ALFRED   | 548-05-9632 | 01/27/1910 CA      | 10/00/1977 CA | 90262 Lynwood 91209  |
| DONALD    | ALVORD   | 558-18-5677 | 03/09/1919 CA      | 10/00/1974    | 00000 —              |

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| DONALD    | ALVORD    | 563-54-2719        | 03/27/1941 CA | 05/00/1984 CA 91724 Covina           |
| DONALD    | ALFORD    | 562-56-4951        | 08/20/1943 CA | 07/28/1989 93277 Visalia             |
| DONALDEEN | ALFORD    | 537-20-4211        | 01/12/1926 WA | 10/00/1971 CA 93066 Somis            |
| DORIS     | ALVORD    | 569-66-5827        | 10/16/1894 CA | 01/00/1984 CA 90036 Los Angeles      |
| DOROTHY   | ALFORD    | 557-54-3967        | 07/04/1895 CA | 01/00/1977 CA 90813 Long Beach 90806 |
| DOROTHY   | ALFORD    | 563-50-8921        | 09/26/1903 CA | 05/00/1975 CA 91006 Arcadia          |
| DOROTHY   | ALFORD    | 545-09-5245        | 07/04/1910 CA | 07/00/1990 95060 Santa Cruz 95061    |
| DOROTHY   | ALFORD    | 545-09-5245        | 07/04/1910 CA | 07/31/1990 95060 Santa Cruz 95061    |
| DUDLEY    | ALFRED    | 557-14-2520        | 05/09/1913 CA | 07/00/1974 MN 55113 Roseville        |
| DWIGHT    | ALVORD    | 555-20-5506        | 08/02/1892 CA | 08/00/1957 00000 —                   |
| E         | ALFORD    | 549-03-8686        | 07/15/1918 CA | 04/00/1980 FL 33155 Miami            |
| EARL      | ALFORD    | 524-10-5841        | 06/26/1893 CO | 02/00/1963 CA 00000 —                |
| EARL      | ALVORD    | 551-03-5584        | 08/01/1902 CA | 10/00/1969 CA 91604 Studio City      |
| EARL      | ALFORD    | 373-01-7188        | 11/13/1912 MI | 07/00/1978 CA 92284 Yucca Valley     |
| EARL      | ALVORD    | 548-16-5868        | 03/18/1917 CA | 08/00/1987 CA 94951 Penngrove        |
| EARL      | ALFORD    | 055-07-0865        | 01/20/1919 NY | 03/00/1975 CA 90804 Long Beach       |
| EARLY     | ALFORD    | 562-34-3220        | 04/16/1910 CA | 09/00/1958 00000 —                   |
| EDITH     | ALVORD    | 551-21-9881        | 08/24/1894 CA | 02/00/1973 CA 95340 Merced           |
| EDITH     | ALFORD    | 551-21-4240        | 09/02/1898 CA | 03/12/1988 95819 Sacramento          |
| EDITH     | ALFORD    | 551-46-3998        | 10/27/1903 CA | 05/00/1985 CA 90020 Los Angeles      |
| EDNA      | ALVORD    | 546-10-4641        | 09/10/1881 CA | 01/00/1963 CA 00000 —                |
| EDNA      | ALFORD    | 560-01-1928        | 09/02/1905 CA | 09/00/1983 MS 39648 McComb           |
| EDWARD    | HALFORD   | 552-54-4481        | 08/27/1884 CA | 11/00/1967 CA 93728 Fresno           |
| EDWARD    | OLFORD    | 441-07-7894        | 03/24/1896 OK | 01/00/1986 CA 90018 Los Angeles      |
| EDWARD    | HALLFORD  | 553-05-1585        | 05/19/1897 CA | 04/00/1983 CA 92410 San Bernardino   |
| EDWARD    | ALFORD    | 577-22-4485        | 03/20/1902 DC | 12/00/1968 CA 90012 Los Angeles      |
| EDWARD    | ALFORD    | 545-10-9229        | 07/09/1911 CA | 09/00/1974 CA 95030 Los Gatos        |
| EDWARD    | ALFORD    | 463-05-3005        | 01/12/1913 TX | 01/00/1983 CA 94607 Oakland          |
| EDWIN     | ALFORD    | 555-26-5463        | 10/04/1903 CA | 11/04/1990 91405 Van Nuys            |
| EDWIN     | ALFORD    | 552-38-4123        | 10/06/1912 CA | 02/00/1987 CA 92104 San Diego        |
| EDWIN     | ALFORD    | 570-03-4554        | 04/20/1915 CA | 01/22/1988 92672 San Clemente        |
| EFFIE     | ALFORD    | 560-22-8205        | 03/02/1894 CA | 03/00/1985 AR 71960 Norman           |
| ELAINE    | ALFORD    | 570-52-9695        | 06/01/1940 CA | 08/00/1976 00000 —                   |
| ELBERT    | ALFORD    | 566-14-2874        | 03/30/1907 CA | 10/00/1977 CA 95451 Kelseyville      |
| ELEANOR   | ALFORD    | 086-09-2610        | 04/11/1891 NY | 02/00/1985 CA 92402 San Bernardino   |
| ELEANOR   | HALFORD   | 559-30-3053        | 03/14/1906 CA | 12/00/1970 CA 92107 San Diego        |
| ELIZABETH | HALLFORD  | 572-46-0583        | 11/07/1890 CA | 10/00/1971 CA 95421 Cazadero         |
| ELLA      | ALVORD    | 556-21-0018        | 11/18/1894 CA | 05/00/1982 CA 91024 Sierra Madre     |
| ELLA      | ALFRED    | 334-09-7866        | 02/11/1895 IL | 10/00/1981 CA 92397 Wrightwood       |
| ELLA      | ALFORD    | 560-26-3141        | 03/01/1909 CA | 05/00/1971 CA 90220 Compton          |
| ELLEN     | ALVORD    | 570-22-3170        | 02/12/1922 CA | 07/00/1976 00000 —                   |
| ELLERY    | ALVORD    | 533-07-6409        | 10/12/1897 WA | 03/00/1982 CA 95945 Grass Valley     |
| ELMA      | HALFORD   | 571-34-4841        | 07/13/1891 CA | 10/00/1978 CA 92707 Santa Ana        |
| ELMER     | ALFORD    | 549-01-2132        | 11/01/1907 CA | 04/00/1981 CA 91204 Glendale         |
| ELNORA    | ALFRED    | 572-48-5005        | 04/01/1907 CA | 05/00/1982 CA 93307 Bakersfield      |
| ELSWORTH  | ALFORD    | 558-12-4350        | 10/16/1894 CA | 11/00/1984 CA 95224 Avery            |
| ELVINA    | ALFORD    | 558-21-4722        | 02/06/1891 CA | 04/00/1985 CA 92115 San Diego        |
| EMILY     | ALFORD    | 425-56-8612        | 06/24/1914 MS | 11/00/1976 CA 90220 Compton          |
| EMMA      | ALVORD    | 550-32-3690        | 09/25/1876 CA | 02/00/1968 CA 91202 Glendale         |
| EMMA      | ALVORD    | 565-40-5093        | 07/09/1887 CA | 06/00/1977 CA 90042 Los Angeles      |
| EMMA      | ALFORD    | 561-78-9899        | 06/03/1896 CA | 10/00/1974 CA 94603 Oakland          |
| EMMA      | ALFORD    | 560-94-2523        | 10/18/1908 CA | 02/00/1984 CA 90602 Whittier         |

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| ERIC      | ALVORD   | 548-14-6866 | 10/11/1918 CA           | 04/00/1985 CA | 95222 Angels Camp        |
| ERNA      | HOLFORD  | 570-34-2016 | 12/12/1903 CA           | 06/00/1979 CA | 91722 Covina             |
| ERNEST    | ALVORD   | 572-14-0852 | 11/29/1886 CA           | 07/00/1965 CA | 00000 —                  |
| ERNEST    | ALFORD   | 557-03-4381 | 02/26/1907 CA           | 03/00/1983 CA | 95010 Capitola           |
| ESSIE     | ALFORD   | 568-34-9045 | 03/30/1885 CA           | 09/00/1975 CA | 96080 Red Bluff          |
| ESTHER    | ALFORD   | 547-20-9742 | 02/10/1902 CA           | 08/00/1974 CA | 93010 Camarillo          |
| ESTHER    | HOLFORD  | 565-38-2558 | 04/27/1908 CA           | 05/00/1987 CA | 93555 Ridgecrest         |
| ESTHER    | ALFORD   | 540-32-0365 | 06/05/1912 OR           | 03/00/1987 CA | 95521 Arcata             |
| ETHEL     | ALFORD   | 572-88-6532 | 01/10/1881 CA           | 12/00/1969 CA | 91104 Pasadena           |
| ETHEL     | ALFORD   | 550-40-7895 | 03/16/1889 CA           | 09/00/1983 CA | 91760 Norco              |
| ETHEL     | ALFORD   | 567-12-7324 | 12/25/1889 CA           | 04/00/1973 CA | 95824 Sacramento         |
| ETHEL     | ALFORD   | 571-80-4330 | 10/07/1899 CA           | 02/00/1988 AZ | 85345 Peoria 00000       |
| EUGENE    | ALVORD   | 555-46-3423 | 05/19/1913 CA           | 06/00/1983 CA | 92805 Anaheim            |
| EUNICE    | HALFORD  | 556-03-0039 | 09/07/1892 CA           | 06/29/1989    | 94556 Moraga             |
| EUNICE    | ALFORD   | 565-16-2021 | 03/06/1915 CA           | 03/00/1972    | 00000 —                  |
| EUNICE    | ALFORD   | 365-03-1974 | 07/25/1917 MI           | 11/00/1978 CA | 92284 Yucca Valley 92705 |
| EVA       | ALFORD   | 563-05-8689 | 03/01/1882 CA           | 01/00/1969 CA | 91732 El Monte           |
| EVA       | ALFORD   | 546-12-1580 | 10/01/1899 CA           | 11/00/1967 CA | 93602 Auberry            |
| EVELYN    | ALFORD   | 555-21-8074 | 02/13/1890 CA           | 07/00/1975 CA | 92116 San Diego          |
| EVELYN    | ALFRED   | 465-03-2071 | 12/25/1910 TX           | 08/00/1971 CA | 94115 San Francisco      |
| EVERETT   | ALVORD   | 542-14-0853 | 08/09/1898 OR           | 01/00/1964 CA | 00000 —                  |
| EVERETT   | ALFORD   | 554-01-3561 | 09/24/1903 CA           | 01/16/1990    | 92077 Spring Valley      |
| FANNIE    | HALFORD  | 444-14-2988 | 12/12/1888 OK           | 03/00/1967 CA | 94605 Oakland            |
| FANNIE    | ALFORD   | 573-66-6326 | 11/28/1908 CA           | 07/00/1989    | 94019 Half Moon Bay      |
| FAYE      | ALFORD   | 554-36-4705 | 06/12/1908 CA           | 03/00/1982 OK | 73701 Enid               |
| FAYETTE   | ALVORD   | 440-09-9379 | 01/21/1908 OK           | 09/00/1983 CA | 90706 Bellflower         |
| FINIS     | ALFORD   | 548-46-4488 | 05/23/1899 CA           | 12/00/1967 CA | 90603 Whittier           |
| FLETCHER  | HALFORD  | 548-20-0150 | 10/01/1901 CA           | 11/00/1978 CA | 94558 Napa               |
| FLETCHER  | ALFORD   | 430-20-6449 | 10/15/1916 AR           | 09/00/1983 CA | 95736 Weimar             |
| FLORENCE  | ALFORD   | 195-12-3531 | 12/30/1881 PA           | 12/00/1967 CA | 90290 Topanga            |
| FLORENCE  | HALFORD  | 555-07-1072 | 09/01/1913 CA           | 06/00/1980 CA | 94590 Vallejo            |
| FLORIANNE | ALFRED   | 551-28-2780 | 05/14/1903 CA           | 09/00/1976 CO | 81641 Meeker             |
| FLOYD     | ALVORD   | 563-14-4699 | 11/29/1900 CA           | 04/00/1971 CA | 91107 Pasadena           |
| FRANCE    | ALFORD   | 567-07-2171 | 05/17/1911 CA           | 04/15/1990    | 85541 Payson             |
| FRANCES   | ALFRED   | 551-16-8558 | 10/19/1910 CA           | 03/00/1989    | 92410 San Bernardino     |
| FRANCES   | HALFORD  | 451-40-5431 | 10/09/1922 TX           | 05/00/1985 CA | 93257 Porterville        |
| FRANCES   | ALFORD   | 549-36-6303 | 03/15/1932 CA           | 12/00/1967    | 00000 —                  |
| FRANCIS   | HOLFORD  | 557-16-7041 | 03/27/1902 CA           | 04/00/1967 CA | 93267 Strathmore         |
| FRANK     | ALVORD   | 551-22-7265 | 10/19/1887 CA           | 10/00/1974 CA | 90005 Los Angeles        |
| FRANK     | ALFORD   | 403-05-4236 | 10/30/1888 KY           | 06/00/1965 CA | 94577 San Leandro        |
| FRANK     | HOLFORD  | 287-07-7857 | 03/27/1898 OH           | 11/00/1972 CA | 94306 Palo Alto          |
| FRANK     | HALLFORD | 573-44-2826 | 12/23/1901 CA           | 04/00/1983 CA | 93258 Porterville        |
| FRANK     | ALFORD   | 562-54-2690 | 12/25/1913 CA           | 09/00/1982 CA | 94577 San Leandro        |
| FRANK     | ALFORD   | 545-03-5086 | 07/09/1916 CA           | 10/00/1975 CA | 94518 Concord            |
| FRANKLIN  | ALFORD   | 567-30-4834 | 08/06/1907 CA           | 07/00/1983 CA | 95060 Santa Cruz 95061   |
| FRED      | ALFORD   | 568-50-7703 | 04/17/1892 CA           | 10/00/1972 CA | 95616 Davis              |
| FRED      | HOLFORD  | 469-01-8611 | 08/26/1893 MN           | 01/00/1973 CA | 91208 Glendale           |
| FRED      | ALVORD   | 546-14-4634 | 09/15/1921 CA           | 11/00/1979 CA | 95258 Woodbridge         |
| FRIEDA    | ALVORD   | 326-18-3913 | 07/04/1893 IL           | 09/00/1973 CA | 92307 Apple Valley       |
| GENEVIEVE | ALVORD   | 555-21-2074 | 11/11/1886 CA           | 05/00/1974 CA | 95825 Sacramento         |
| GENEVIEVE | ALVORD   | 564-32-5308 | 09/08/1889 CA           | 07/00/1970 CA | 91104 Pasadena           |
| GEORGE    | ALFORD   | 571-64-0114 | 09/03/1850 CA           | 09/00/1945 CA | 90230 Culver City        |

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| GEORGE   | HALFORD   | 554-05-3478        | 11/28/1882 CA | 03/00/1974 CA 94587 Union City          |
| GEORGE   | ALFORD    | 550-16-5043        | 03/17/1892 CA | 06/00/1968 CA 92325 Crestline           |
| GEORGE   | HALLFORD  | 552-22-9270        | 12/28/1894 CA | 02/00/1985 CA 95205 Stockton            |
| GEORGE   | ALVORD    | 570-24-7444        | 05/19/1895 CA | 06/00/1964 CA 00000 —                   |
| GEORGE   | ALFORD    | 563-10-7535        | 10/07/1897 CA | 11/00/1976 CA 90028 Hollywood 91304     |
| GEORGE   | HALFORD   | 374-05-0564        | 07/31/1904 MI | 07/00/1967 CA 91401 Van Nuys            |
| GEORGIA  | ALFORD    | 567-16-5017        | 07/06/1895 CA | 01/27/1988 65713 Niangua                |
| GERTRUDE | ALFORD    | 181-20-3981        | 08/22/1901 PA | 10/00/1977 CA 93101 Santa Barbara       |
| GERTRUDE | ALFRED    | 433-38-1276        | 08/18/1902 LA | 03/00/1980 CA 90008 Los Angeles         |
| GERTRUDE | ALFORD    | 560-74-1527        | 11/07/1902 CA | 02/00/1987 CA 90731 San Pedro           |
| GERTRUDE | HALFORD   | 557-38-0680        | 07/04/1911 CA | 03/00/1983 UT 84601 Provo               |
| GLENN    | ALFORD    | 557-07-8884        | 07/19/1903 CA | 03/00/1952 00000 —                      |
| GRACE    | ALFRED    | 563-16-5772        | 08/11/1887 CA | 10/00/1969 CA 90015 Los Angeles         |
| GRACE    | ALFORD    | 566-60-0457        | 07/08/1898 CA | 08/00/1983 CA 95224 Avery               |
| GRANT    | ALFORD    | 560-12-3995        | 01/24/1905 CA | 12/00/1982 CA 91406 Van Nuys            |
| GUY      | HOLFORD   | 542-01-3090        | 02/08/1908 OR | 12/00/1978 CA 90745 Carson              |
| GUY      | ALFORD    | 464-03-4228        | 07/22/1908 TX | 01/00/1977 CA 91745 Hacienda Heights    |
| H        | ALFORD    | 561-18-4692        | 06/13/1904 CA | 01/00/1970 CA 91505 Burbank             |
| H        | ALVORD    | 563-18-0221        | 11/21/1909 CA | 03/00/1980 ID 83201 Pocatello           |
| H        | ALFRED    | 570-40-0926        | 05/02/1925 CA | 04/00/1985 00000 —                      |
| HAROLD   | ALVORD    | 710-16-0533        | 07/04/1897 RR | 02/00/1984 CA 91202 Glendale            |
| HAROLD   | HALFORD   | 482-03-3390        | 01/03/1900 IA | 01/00/1986 CA 91103 Pasadena            |
| HARRIET  | ALFORD    | 551-50-0959        | 10/23/1912 CA | 01/00/1984 CA 94303 Palo Alto           |
| HARRY    | ALFORD    | 542-05-0443        | 06/25/1899 OR | 02/00/1980 CA 90277 Redondo Beach       |
| HARRY    | ALFORD    | 560-14-1808        | 08/20/1913 CA | 07/00/1983 CA 95457 Lower Lake          |
| HARRY    | ALFORD    | 560-34-1133        | 03/22/1924 CA | 08/00/1968 00000 —                      |
| HARVEY   | ALFORD    | 550-03-3468        | 01/07/1898 CA | 11/00/1977 CA 91803 Alhambra 91801      |
| HATTIE   | ALFORD    | 434-58-7957        | 10/31/1893 LA | 01/00/1985 CA 90047 Los Angeles         |
| HAZEL    | ALFORD    | 278-16-2022        | 06/23/1905 OH | 12/00/1974 CA 94612 Oakland             |
| HAZEL    | HOLFORD   | 569-22-1253        | 07/29/1907 CA | 12/00/1981 CA 93267 Strathmore          |
| HAZEL    | ALFORD    | 447-09-5550        | 10/02/1911 OK | 12/00/1975 CA 95673 Rio Linda           |
| HAZEL    | ALFORD    | 546-68-2774        | 05/02/1926 CA | 12/00/1976 CA 92011 Chula Vista         |
| HELEN    | ALFORD    | 548-24-4335        | 01/11/1895 CA | 11/00/1966 CA 90015 Los Angeles         |
| HELEN    | ALFORD    | 384-09-6005        | 07/01/1905 MI | 02/00/1978 CA 90291 Venice              |
| HELEN    | ALFORD    | 150-01-9254        | 04/06/1908 NJ | 11/00/1973 CA 90066 Los Angeles         |
| HELENA   | ALFORD    | 543-56-3709        | 03/12/1894 OR | 01/00/1979 CA 92262 Palm Springs        |
| HENRY    | ALFORD    | 545-12-1926        | 10/22/1910 CA | 10/04/1988 90501 Torrance               |
| HENRY    | ALFORD JR | 557-48-1181        | 01/03/1937 CA | 05/00/1987 CA 92388 Moreno Valley 00000 |
| HERBERT  | ALFORD    | 555-09-4639        | 11/28/1910 CA | 01/05/1988 73651 Hobart                 |
| HERMAN   | ALFRED    | 554-14-8490        | 11/17/1912 CA | 02/18/1990 90059 Los Angeles            |
| HOMER    | ALFRED    | 547-03-5371        | 05/31/1916 CA | 07/00/1980 CA 94903 San Rafael          |
| HORACE   | HOLFORD   | 355-10-2193        | 02/01/1901 IL | 10/00/1978 CA 91732 El Monte 91722      |
| HORACE   | ALFORD    | 549-58-7439        | 12/02/1909 CA | 06/00/1982 CA 95122 San Jose            |
| HORACE   | ALFORD    | 526-12-6716        | 06/07/1910 AZ | 08/00/1974 CA 94303 Palo Alto           |
| HORTENSE | ALVORD    | 555-05-0691        | 10/21/1884 CA | 10/00/1966 CA 95203 Stockton            |
| HOWARD   | ALFORD    | 440-12-9396        | 03/21/1904 OK | 12/00/1970 CA 93555 Ridgecrest          |
| HOWARD   | ALVORD    | 566-01-3441        | 10/28/1905 CA | 01/00/1972 CA 94086 Sunnyvale           |
| HOY      | ALFORD    | 445-09-6637        | 03/24/1905 OK | 04/00/1969 CA 95901 Marysville          |
| HUGH     | ALVORD    | 546-24-9703        | 12/10/1921 CA | 10/00/1955 00000 —                      |
| I        | ALFORD    | 563-01-2109        | 08/29/1910 CA | 08/00/1985 OK 73533 Duncan              |



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| IDA     | ALFORD 557-24-4040    | 01/21/1901 CA      | 10/00/1988    | 90602 Whittier          |
| ILENE   | ALFORD 427-40-9723    | 10/26/1910 MS      | 05/00/1975 CA | 90011 Los Angeles       |
| INEZ    | HOLFORD 552-22-5299   | 12/27/1892 CA      | 11/00/1984 CA | 95383 Twain Harte       |
| IRENE   | ALFORD 548-22-8674    | 04/23/1909 CA      | 05/07/1990    | 92243 El Centro         |
| IVA     | ALFORD 555-21-9813    | 02/09/1896 CA      | 11/00/1980 CA | 92683 Westminster       |
| J       | ALFORD 533-05-5142    | 03/19/1898 WA      | 07/00/1983 CA | 95521 Arcata            |
| J       | ALFORD 430-18-2547    | 10/08/1916 AR      | 05/00/1983 CA | 90406 Santa Monica      |
| JACK    | ALFRED SR 561-01-2503 | 09/23/1891 CA      | 01/00/1967 CA | 91401 Van Nuys 00000    |
| JACK    | HALLFORD 516-32-0299  | 01/25/1915 MT      | 03/00/1982 CA | 94509 Antioch           |
| JACK    | ALFRED 561-01-2477    | 10/13/1916 CA      | 07/00/1974    | 00000 —                 |
| JACK    | HOLFORD 558-20-0019   | 08/24/1925 CA      | 12/09/1989    | 79922 El Paso           |
| JACOB   | ALFRED 090-07-8799    | 09/16/1886 NY      | 10/00/1975 CA | 91402 Panorama City     |
| JAMES   | ALFORD 568-16-3647    | 04/22/1884 CA      | 08/00/1964 AZ | 00000 —                 |
| JAMES   | HALFORD 567-50-0390   | 09/06/1888 CA      | 05/00/1980 CA | 93618 Dinuba            |
| JAMES   | ALFORD 710-10-1683    | 03/01/1894 RR      | 05/00/1985 CA | 93250 McFarland         |
| JAMES   | ALFORD 554-10-9360    | 08/08/1895 CA      | 01/00/1978 CA | 92683 Westminster       |
| JAMES   | HOLFORD 519-01-3183   | 02/02/1904 ID      | 02/00/1987 CA | 92050 National City     |
| JAMES   | ALFORD 548-01-2720    | 08/06/1908 CA      | 05/11/1990    | 93309 Bakersfield       |
| JAMES   | ALFORD 561-10-9905    | 09/01/1913 CA      | 06/10/1990    | 92388 Moreno Valley     |
| JAMES   | ALFORD 488-32-4105    | 04/18/1915 MO      | 09/00/1982 CA | 95404 Santa Rosa        |
| JAMES   | HALFORD 573-18-8597   | 10/09/1916 CA      | 01/00/1983 WA | 98148 Seattle           |
| JAMES   | ALFORD 571-05-6966    | 06/08/1916 CA      | 09/00/1981 AZ | 85704 Tucson            |
| JAMES   | HALFORD 567-10-0849   | 02/07/1919 CA      | 06/00/1987 CA | 93618 Dinuba            |
| JAMES   | ALFORD 032-22-1015    | 06/24/1920 MA      | 07/00/1969 CA | 92220 Banning           |
| JAMES   | ALVORD 545-48-6404    | 06/04/1936 CA      | 04/00/1971    | 00000 —                 |
| JAY     | ALFORD 561-03-3893    | 11/08/1892 CA      | 12/00/1980 TX | 75935 Center            |
| JEAN    | ALFORD 565-36-2383    | 09/25/1905 CA      | 04/00/1985 CA | 95404 Santa Rosa        |
| JESSE   | ALFORD 564-28-7409    | 04/28/1890 CA      | 03/00/1973 CA | 96080 Red Bluff         |
| JESSE   | ALVORD 563-07-7473    | 08/30/1897 CA      | 04/00/1970 CA | 92284 YucCA Valley      |
| JESSE   | HALLFORD 550-01-3359  | 08/13/1903 CA      | 07/15/1990    | 45389 Christiansburg    |
| JESSE   | HALLFORD 553-03-6197  | 08/20/1907 CA      | 01/00/1975 CA | 91801 Alhambra          |
| JESSIE  | ALFORD 546-03-4399    | 03/22/1910 CA      | 02/26/1989    | 95687 Vacaville         |
| JEWEL   | HALFORD 551-28-7211   | 02/13/1896 CA      | 01/00/1986 CA | 93905 Salinas           |
| JOHN    | ALVORD 562-66-3410    | 11/15/1880 CA      | 03/00/1968 CA | 90017 Los Angeles       |
| JOHN    | ALFORD 568-16-8470    | 11/16/1886 CA      | 04/00/1966 CA | 92320 Calimesa          |
| JOHN    | ALFORD 561-10-7906    | 09/02/1888 CA      | 03/00/1945    | 00000 —                 |
| JOHN    | ALFORD 549-12-8077    | 11/03/1890 CA      | 07/00/1972 CA | 91201 Glendale          |
| JOHN    | ALFORD 274-12-4855    | 02/24/1891 OH      | 05/00/1971 CA | 90044 Los Angeles       |
| JOHN    | ALFORD 263-22-4116    | 04/28/1896 FL      | 09/00/1967 CA | 95037 Morgan Hill       |
| JOHN    | ALFORD 572-10-2399    | 09/29/1897 CA      | 02/00/1973 CA | 90740 Seal Beach        |
| JOHN    | ALFORD 546-07-8154    | 10/06/1901 CA      | 05/00/1982 CA | 93901 Salinas           |
| JOHN    | ALFORD 564-03-2903    | 08/13/1906 CA      | 11/00/1986 CA | 91214 La Crescenta      |
| JOHN    | ALFRED 435-03-5626    | 06/29/1907 LA      | 09/00/1979 CA | 94603 Oakland           |
| JOHN    | ALVORD 557-36-4007    | 04/19/1907 CA      | 02/00/1984 CA | 92252 Joshua Tree       |
| JOHN    | HALFORD 461-09-4450   | 02/02/1907 TX      | 04/00/1987 CA | 92050 National City     |
| JOHN    | HALLFORD 422-12-2045  | 04/22/1915 AL      | 09/00/1982 CA | 92345 Hesperia          |
| JOHN    | ALFORD 545-12-1931    | 06/05/1918 CA      | 12/00/1987 CA | 93230 Hanford           |
| JOHN    | ALFORD 570-10-8034    | 04/14/1919 CA      | 04/00/1984 CA | 94586 Sunol             |
| JOHN    | ALFERD 573-38-2939    | 08/16/1926 CA      | 06/00/1985 CA | 92359 Mentone           |
| JOHN    | ALFORD 298-28-9009    | 11/07/1936 OH      | 04/00/1979 CA | 90044 Los Angeles 91754 |
| JOHN    | ALFRED 563-76-6650    | 07/22/1949 CA      | 07/00/1984 CA | 95405 Santa Rosa        |
| JOHNNIE | HALFORD 547-01-9500   | 08/19/1914 CA      | 02/00/1968    | 00000 —                 |
| JOSEPH  | ALVORD 572-05-8485    | 09/16/1902 CA      | 04/00/1969 FL | 33505                   |

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| JOSEPH    | ALVORD    | 568-03-7511        | 01/02/1908 CA | 04/00/1973 CA      | 92025 Escondido         |
| JOSEPH    | HALFORD   | 552-01-8881        | 02/06/1910 CA | 02/00/1984 WA      | 98902 Yakima            |
| JOSEPH    | ALFORD    | 467-22-7580        | 06/23/1925 TX | 07/00/1981 CA      | 90062 Los Angeles 90044 |
| JOSEPH    | ALFORD    | 561-54-5349        | 08/26/1938 CA | 05/00/1979         | 00000 —                 |
| JUANITA   | ALFORD    | 564-20-7304        | 02/17/1918 CA | 10/00/1980 CA      | 93274 Tulare            |
| JUANITA   | ALFORD    | 567-32-2360        | 07/18/1925 CA | 02/00/1982 KS      | 67060 Haysville         |
| JUNIOR    | ALFORD    | 554-24-7889        | 08/30/1922 CA | 07/00/1978 CA      | 95207 Stockton          |
| KATHERINE | ALFORD    | 461-26-2000        | 11/25/1904 TX | 11/00/1979 CA      | 94115 San Francisco     |
| KENNETH   | ALFORD    | 556-22-4879        | 01/25/1906 CA | 11/00/1986 CA      | 93286 Woodlake          |
| KENNETH   | HALFORD   | 545-20-6103        | 04/28/1917 CA | 09/00/1978 CA      | 94580 San Lorenzo       |
| KENNETH   | HALFORD   | 525-42-2409        | 06/07/1927 NM | 08/00/1987 CA      | 93274 Tulare            |
| KENNETH   | ALFORD    | 568-06-1096        | 05/25/1956 CA | 04/00/1990         | 30577 Toccoa            |
| KENNETH   | ALFORD    | 551-23-4539        | 02/11/1961 CA | 10/00/1984 CA      | 91724 Covina            |
| KENNETH   | ALFORD    | 566-17-9354        | 02/11/1961 CA | 10/00/1984 CA      | 91706 Baldwin Park      |
| KENNETH   | ALFORD    | 567-23-6537        | 02/11/1961 CA | 10/00/1984 CA      | 91730 Rancho Cucamonga  |
| L         | ALFORD    | 557-30-2785        | 03/06/1921 CA | 12/06/1988         | 90002 Los Angeles       |
| LAURA     | ALFRED    | 556-36-3526        | 05/14/1923 CA | 10/00/1986 CA      | 92113 San Diego         |
| LAWRENCE  | ALFORD    | 557-03-8646        | 01/25/1900 CA | 02/00/1977 OR      | 97404 Eugene 97401      |
| LAWRENCE  | ALFORD    | 561-24-0145        | 01/11/1911 CA | 06/00/1966 CA      | 93230 Hanford           |
| LELAND    | ALVORD    | 522-07-7135        | 08/22/1893 CO | 01/00/1964 CA      | 00000 —                 |
| LEMMIE    | ALFORD    | 555-16-1936        | 07/05/1901 CA | 04/00/1975 CA      | 93277 Visalia           |
| LEN       | ALFORD    | 561-10-5562        | 07/15/1907 CA | 01/00/1977 CA      | 90744 Wilmington        |
| LEO       | ALVORD    | 565-16-8950        | 01/22/1919 CA | 07/00/1982 CA      | 91104 Pasadena          |
| LEONA     | HALLFORD  | 564-21-2266        | 08/31/1904 CA | 04/08/1990         | 94590 Vallejo           |
| LEONA     | ALFORD    | 430-40-9335        | 10/08/1912 AR | 02/00/1973 CA      | 95110 San Jose          |
| LEONARD   | HALFORD   | 551-26-7357        | 01/07/1915 CA | 12/00/1973         | 00000 —                 |
| LEROY     | ALFORD    | 559-12-4690        | 12/25/1916 CA | 11/00/1984 CA      | 90640 Montebello        |
| LEROY     | ALVORD    | 549-26-8907        | 12/30/1922 CA | 01/15/1990         | 91207 Glendale          |
| LESLIE    | HALFORD   | 551-24-5141        | 03/09/1910 CA | 08/00/1978 CA      | 95376 Tracy             |
| LESLIE    | ALFORD    | 550-36-5629        | 06/13/1918 CA | 01/17/1991         | 92056 Oceanside         |
| LESTER    | HALLFORD  | 573-14-8864        | 06/04/1898 CA | 08/00/1985 CA      | 94590 Vallejo           |
| LESTER    | ALFORD    | 571-05-7075        | 03/31/1902 CA | 07/00/1983 CA      | 96001 Redding           |
| LESTER    | HALFORD   | 519-07-5130        | 09/14/1904 ID | 03/00/1982 CA      | 95688 Vacaville         |
| LESTER    | HOLFORD   | 568-22-3876        | 02/23/1925 CA | 11/00/1973 OK      | 74883 Wetumka           |
| LILLIAN   | ALFORD    | 555-80-3997        | 01/19/1877 CA | 01/00/1968 CA      | 96080 Red Bluff         |
| LILLIAN   | ALFORD    | 572-01-8982        | 09/11/1907 CA | 03/00/1982 OK      | 73651 Hobart            |
| LILLIAN   | HOLFORD   | 530-10-3576        | 10/12/1909 NV | 12/00/1981 CA      | 91752 Mira Loma         |
| LILLIE    | ALFRED    | 550-26-0102        | 08/26/1887 CA | 04/00/1963 CA      | 00000 —                 |
| LILLIE    | ALFORD    | 546-32-7342        | 06/17/1916 CA | 03/00/1974 CA      | 90018 Los Angeles       |
| LIONEL    | ALFORD    | 548-10-8080        | 04/07/1913 CA | 04/00/1976 CA      | 93703 Fresno            |
| LLOYD     | ALFORD    | 429-09-6374        | 04/08/1916 AR | 11/00/1981 CA      | 92633 Fullerton         |
| LOIS      | ALFORD    | 572-18-9724        | 04/13/1913 CA | 03/00/1983 CA      | 95008 Campbell          |
| LOREN     | ALFORD    | 570-40-1675        | 12/29/1898 CA | 03/00/1977 CA      | 92116 San Diego         |
| LOREN     | ALVORD    | 552-03-0817        | 09/11/1899 CA | 11/00/1986 CA      | 95340 Merced            |
| LORENA    | ALFORD    | 566-70-1417        | 05/26/1914 CA | 11/00/1986 CA      | 92343 Hemet             |
| LORIN     | ALFORD    | 559-03-6707        | 07/09/1884 CA | 04/00/1974 CA      | 93105 Santa Barbara     |
| LORRAINE  | ALFRED    | 573-66-3790        | 01/03/1907 CA | 12/00/1985 CA      | 94102 San Francisco     |
| LOUIE     | HALFORD   | 429-03-2581        | 09/22/1905 AR | 10/00/1982 CA      | 91105 Pasadena          |
| LOUIS     | ALFRED    | 456-12-2631        | 10/19/1904 TX | 10/00/1966 CA      | 94621 Oakland           |
| LOUVINA   | ALFORD    | 549-21-4398        | 08/06/1897 CA | 10/00/1973 CA      | 93534 Lancaster         |
| LOYD      | ALFORD    | 552-01-3327        | 03/22/1920 CA | 07/00/1962         | 00000 —                 |
| LUCY      | HALFORD   | 561-21-0781        | 11/20/1885 CA | 06/00/1978 CA      | 94587 Union City        |
| LUCY      | ALVORD    | 559-68-7202        | 09/10/1889 CA | 01/04/1989         | 92663 Newport Beach     |

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| LUCY      | ALFORD    | 559-20-9485        | 02/18/1908 CA | 04/00/1979 CA 95060 Santa Cruz          |
| LUELLA    | ALFORD    | 554-54-8965        | 09/07/1895 CA | 11/00/1971 ID 83846 Mullan              |
| LULA      | ALFORD    | 565-34-6576        | 11/15/1885 CA | 09/00/1975 CA 91722 Covina              |
| LURANA    | ALFORD    | 568-34-4500        | 03/31/1891 CA | 08/00/1969 CA 95340 Merced              |
| LYDIA     | ALVORD    | 086-14-1604        | 01/13/1896 NY | 11/00/1986 CA 92020 El Cajon            |
| MABEL     | ALFRED    | 548-16-9839        | 07/12/1903 CA | 07/00/1986 CA 92021 El Cajon            |
| MADALYNE  | ALFORD    | 562-20-7827        | 11/12/1912 CA | 02/00/1974 CA 92115 San Diego           |
| MAGDELENE | ALFRED    | 453-36-9850        | 06/14/1904 TX | 02/00/1978 CA 94115 San Francisco 94131 |
| MARCIA    | ALFORD    | 547-44-2852        | 08/01/1934 CA | 11/00/1986 AL 36608 Mobile              |
| MARCUS    | ALFORD    | 562-14-3189        | 12/09/1894 CA | 10/00/1973 CA 92376 Rialto              |
| MARGARET  | ALFORD    | 563-80-8986        | 09/14/1875 CA | 11/00/1969 CA 93901 Salinas             |
| MARGARET  | ALVORD    | 562-66-9547        | 03/23/1884 CA | 02/00/1968 CA 92041 La Mesa             |
| MARGARET  | ALFORD    | 558-44-6862        | 07/11/1909 CA | 01/24/1988 92399 Yucaipa                |
| MARGARETA | ALFRED    | 561-05-9163        | 08/24/1915 CA | 06/00/1981 NV 89512 Reno                |
| MARGUERIT | ALFORD    | 549-48-1447        | 04/16/1908 CA | 11/00/1983 CA 95501 Eureka              |
| MARIAN    | ALFORD    | 567-28-7666        | 08/17/1904 CA | 10/14/1989 94611 Piedmont               |
| MARILYN   | ALFORD    | 560-78-1735        | 10/20/1949 CA | 04/00/1975 00000 —                      |
| MARION    | ALVORD    | 562-05-4625        | 06/19/1903 CA | 08/00/1986 TX 75418 Bonham              |
| MARION    | ALVORD    | 547-20-6213        | 09/19/1921 CA | 11/00/1978 00000 —                      |
| MARTHA    | ALFORD    | 454-30-7932        | 02/01/1925 TX | 05/00/1986 CA 90001 Florence            |
| MARY      | ALFORD    | 548-21-9735        | 02/23/1883 CA | 01/00/1973 CA 90640 Montebello          |
| MARY      | ALFORD    | 561-32-9565        | 11/29/1886 CA | 01/00/1985 CA 95354 Modesto             |
| MARY      | HOLFORD   | 545-82-1011        | 01/22/1902 CA | 03/00/1985 CA 94928 Rohnert Park        |
| MARY      | ALFORD    | 552-64-7524        | 06/12/1902 CA | 11/00/1975 CA 92405 San Bernardino      |
| MARY      | ALFORD    | 560-24-5944        | 08/07/1904 CA | 12/00/1979 CA 95205 Stockton 95202      |
| MARY      | HALFORD   | 545-36-7781        | 04/05/1907 CA | 05/00/1974 CA 95205 Stockton            |
| MARY      | ALFORD    | 547-42-3455        | 09/29/1911 CA | 07/00/1983 CA 95350 Modesto             |
| MARY      | ALVORD    | 556-26-5338        | 07/03/1912 CA | 07/00/1986 CA 94941 Mill Valley         |
| MARY      | ALFORD    | 570-18-0260        | 11/14/1917 CA | 03/07/1988 92388 Moreno Valley          |
| MARY      | ALFORD    | 564-20-2844        | 05/22/1924 CA | 11/00/1974 00000 —                      |
| MATT      | ALFORD    | 550-26-8165        | 07/20/1894 CA | 05/00/1981 CA 95206 Stockton            |
| MAX       | ALFORD    | 543-38-3593        | 03/01/1896 OR | 10/00/1964 CA 92262 Palm Springs        |
| MAY       | HALLFORD  | 553-07-0505        | 11/16/1879 CA | 12/00/1981 CA 92410 San Bernardino      |
| MEARL     | ALVORD    | 369-09-0070        | 07/08/1914 MI | 12/00/1986 CA 91773 San Dimas           |
| MELVIN    | ALFORD    | 553-16-7873        | 07/11/1887 CA | 05/00/1977 CA 95129 San Jose 95112      |
| MELVIN    | HOLFORD   | 536-03-3546        | 11/09/1899 WA | 05/00/1974 CA 92054 Oceanside           |
| MICHAEL   | ALFORD    | 551-40-2836        | 08/21/1934 CA | 07/16/1988 92243 El Centro              |
| MICHAEL   | ALFORD    | 309-52-8025        | 05/15/1951 IN | 02/00/1986 CA 90037 Los Angeles         |
| MILDRED   | HALFORD   | 570-10-5245        | 05/21/1904 CA | 02/00/1985 CA 95376 Tracy               |
| MILDRED   | HOLFORD   | 223-09-4650        | 10/13/1912 VA | 10/00/1985 CA 92343 Hemet               |
| MILDRED   | ALFORD    | 541-18-7636        | 06/01/1920 OR | 10/00/1986 CA 95819 Sacramento          |
| MILLIE    | HALFORD   | 453-09-9087        | 06/03/1904 TX | 08/00/1978 CA 92050 National City       |
| MILTON    | ALFORD    | 568-05-4833        | 03/31/1898 CA | 03/00/1973 CA 90254 Hermosa Beach       |
| MILTON    | ALFORD    | 432-07-9183        | 07/01/1910 AR | 09/00/1980 CA 90026 Los Angeles 71601   |
| MIMA      | ALFORD    | 563-80-7803        | 12/29/1878 CA | 12/00/1969 CA 93901 Salinas             |
| MINNA     | ALFORD    | 561-62-5355        | 11/03/1895 CA | 12/25/1988 90732 San Pedro              |
| MINNIE    | ALFRED    | 446-40-3864        | 05/15/1894 OK | 12/00/1982 CA 92715 Irvine              |
| MOLLIE    | HALFORD   | 397-22-5534        | 12/22/1893 WI | 08/00/1979 CA 91732 El Monte 54943      |
| MOSE      | ALFORD    | 556-03-8656        | 08/27/1906 CA | 01/03/1990 36556 Malcolm                |
| MOSES     | ALFRED    | 464-26-2054        | 03/16/1926 TX | 02/00/1986 CA 94115 San Francisco       |
| MURIEL    | ALFORD    | 552-21-3100        | 05/20/1898 CA | 02/00/1987 CA 93726 Fresno              |
| MURIEL    | ALFORD    | 550-16-2244        | 07/15/1909 CA | 06/00/1979 MO 65713 Niangua             |

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| MYRTLE    | ALFORD    | 556-80-7527        | 08/02/1886 CA | 07/00/1978 NV      | 89102 Las Vegas     |
| NANCY     | ALFRED    | 565-38-1522        | 06/28/1891 CA | 03/00/1964 CA      | 00000 —             |
| NATHANIEL | ALFORD    | 349-03-7564        | 12/18/1918 IL | 07/00/1985 CA      | 90012 Los Angeles   |
| NED       | ALVORD    | 546-18-3049        | 10/09/1883 CA | 09/00/1970 CA      | 90057 Los Angeles   |
| NELL      | ALFORD    | 467-54-7644        | 01/03/1937 TX | 10/00/1983 CA      | 90043 Los Angeles   |
| NELLIE    | ALVORD    | 566-10-5310        | 04/05/1901 CA | 01/00/1983 CA      | 93060 Santa Paula   |
| NELSON    | ALFORD    | 563-78-2847        | 01/23/1911 CA | 03/00/1970         | 00000 —             |
| NETTIE    | ALFORD    | 556-32-8763        | 12/25/1917 CA | 07/00/1982 CA      | 90011 Los Angeles   |
| NOEL      | HOLFORD   | 530-10-3672        | 10/06/1909 NV | 06/00/1984 CA      | 91752 Mira Loma     |
| OLIVE     | ALFORD    | 564-32-1604        | 12/27/1896 CA | 10/00/1977 NM      | 88220 Carlsbad      |
| OLLIE     | ALFORD    | 570-80-3883        | 12/29/1879 CA | 12/00/1968 CA      | 90813 Long Beach    |
| OLLIE     | ALFORD    | 562-32-1535        | 05/18/1900 CA | 09/00/1976 LA      | 71269 Rayville      |
| ONEITA    | ALVORD    | 564-16-1108        | 09/10/1909 CA | 02/00/1977 CA      | 92011 Chula Vista   |
| OPAL      | ALFORD    | 564-20-1642        | 08/28/1910 CA | 08/00/1972 CA      | 93268 Taft          |
| ORAN      | HALFORD   | 559-16-8334        | 11/05/1918 CA | 12/00/1976         | 00000 —             |
| ORPHA     | ALFORD    | 568-42-7968        | 05/01/1892 CA | 03/00/1970 CA      | 91761 Ontario       |
| OSCAR     | ALFORD    | 553-03-6772        | 07/07/1876 CA | 08/00/1964 CA      | 00000 —             |
| OSCAR     | HOLFORD   | 550-18-5285        | 01/27/1902 CA | 03/00/1972 CA      | 93267 Strathmore    |
| OSCAR     | ALFORD    | 434-28-8788        | 01/16/1912 LA | 07/00/1984 CA      | 90002 Los Angeles   |
| OTIS      | ALFORD    | 553-01-9781        | 11/11/1914 CA | 12/00/1979 CA      | 90745 Carson        |
| PAUL      | ALLFORD   | 512-07-6875        | 06/27/1908 KS | 02/00/1982 CA      | 92655 Midway City   |
| PAUL      | ALFORD    | 572-05-1541        | 05/17/1911 CA | 04/00/1986 CA      | 95603 Auburn        |
| PAULINE   | ALFORD    | 564-05-9864        | 01/21/1912 CA | 01/00/1980 LA      | 70401 Hammond 70438 |
| PETER     | ALFORD    | 551-98-9069        | 06/16/1954 CA | 05/00/1976 CA      | 92027 Escondido     |
| PHILIP    | ALFORD    | 081-12-2750        | 05/02/1896 NY | 01/00/1969 CA      | 90013 Los Angeles   |
| PHILLIP   | HALFORD   | 567-12-8869        | 03/18/1907 CA | 07/00/1987 CA      | 95205 Stockton      |
| PRISCILLA | ALFORD    | 512-20-9930        | 10/11/1907 KS | 11/00/1969 CA      | 92802 Anaheim       |
| QUELENE   | ALFORD    | 438-32-4456        | 01/01/1920 LA | 12/00/1983 CA      | 90059 Los Angeles   |
| RACHEL    | ALFORD    | 571-05-6260        | 08/12/1912 CA | 01/30/1990         | 65713 Niangua       |
| RACHEL    | HALFORD   | 576-09-3721        | 12/11/1919 HI | 09/00/1986 CA      | 95401 Santa Rosa    |
| RAE       | ALFORD    | 569-18-3407        | 08/27/1895 CA | 05/00/1982 CA      | 92805 Anaheim       |
| RALPH     | HALFORD   | 560-42-2738        | 06/05/1909 CA | 06/00/1987 CA      | 94590 Vallejo       |
| RAY       | ALFORD    | 530-38-6470        | 09/26/1896 NV | 11/00/1983 CA      | 92118 Coronado      |
| RAY       | ALFORD    | 554-22-7999        | 01/30/1897 CA | 10/00/1972 CA      | 93927 Greenfield    |
| RAY       | HOLFORD   | 568-38-2533        | 07/06/1910 CA | 02/00/1972 CA      | 93267 Strathmore    |
| RAYMOND   | ALFORD    | 533-05-5356        | 02/10/1910 WA | 03/00/1975 CA      | 95501 Eureka        |
| RAYMOND   | HALFORD   | 567-38-8478        | 09/10/1915 CA | 01/00/1966         | 00000 —             |
| REESE     | HALLFORD  | 555-28-2155        | 02/06/1899 CA | 01/00/1963 NV      | 00000 —             |
| REGINA    | HALFORD   | 519-05-2088        | 03/15/1910 ID | 12/00/1976 CA      | 95603 Auburn        |
| REGINA    | ALFORD    | 562-66-0352        | 04/05/1911 CA | 09/00/1982 CA      | 92115 San Diego     |
| RICHARD   | ALFORD    | 554-22-0301        | 10/15/1900 CA | 02/00/1974 TX      | 76471 Rising Star   |
| ROBERT    | ALFORD    | 554-24-9729        | 02/05/1880 CA | 01/00/1969 CA      | 92367 Nuevo         |
| ROBERT    | HALFORD   | 482-07-3428        | 09/12/1886 IA | 03/00/1973 CA      | 92805 Anaheim       |
| ROBERT    | ALFORD    | 558-18-5751        | 10/23/1899 CA | 08/00/1973 CA      | 92227 Brawley       |
| ROBERT    | ALFORD    | 528-09-8642        | 04/21/1903 UT | 04/00/1971 CA      | 91405 Van Nuys      |
| ROBERT    | ALVORD    | 551-07-0011        | 03/18/1905 CA | 09/00/1977 CA      | 93103 Santa Barbara |
| ROBERT    | ALFORD    | 548-01-2764        | 03/22/1911 CA | 09/00/1975 OR      | 97524 Eagle Point   |
| ROBERT    | ALFORD    | 113-01-0631        | 04/01/1919 NY | 03/00/1981 CA      | 92027 Escondido     |
| ROBERTA   | ALFORD    | 452-28-9784        | 04/19/1911 TX | 02/00/1982 CA      | 94115 San Francisco |
| ROLLA     | ALFORD    | 556-22-0696        | 06/23/1896 CA | 04/00/1974 CA      | 90813 Long Beach    |
| ROLLIN    | HALLFORD  | 555-07-1239        | 08/26/1899 CA | 02/00/1967 CA      | 94590 Vallejo       |
| RONALD    | ALFORD    | 564-50-7581        | 11/21/1941 CA | 03/00/1970         | 00000 —             |

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| ROSAMOND | HOLFORD  | 561-01-8061 | 07/24/1900 CA      | 09/00/1979 NV | 89110 Las Vegas          |
| ROSE     | ALFRED   | 566-21-8242 | 04/15/1893 CA      | 09/00/1979 CA | 91335 Reseda             |
| ROSETTA  | ALFORD   | 462-20-5217 | 09/22/1889 TX      | 12/00/1972 CA | 90003 Los Angeles        |
| ROSETTA  | ALFORD   | 262-36-7964 | 11/28/1919 FL      | 09/00/1985 CA | 93307 Bakersfield        |
| ROSIE    | ALFORD   | 551-21-4713 | 05/10/1881 CA      | 03/00/1975 CA | 94550 Livermore          |
| ROY      | HALFORD  | 563-18-5000 | 04/05/1899 CA      | 05/00/1976 CA | 93618 Dinuba             |
| ROY      | ALFORD   | 555-07-0784 | 04/08/1901 CA      | 05/00/1972 CA | 94549 Lafayette          |
| ROY      | ALFORD   | 555-52-2842 | 12/14/1904 CA      | 05/00/1976 CA | 96080 Red Bluff          |
| RUBY     | ALVORD   | 523-18-3203 | 04/27/1882 CO      | 08/00/1973 CA | 92627 Costa Mesa         |
| RUBY     | ALFORD   | 553-30-8135 | 01/11/1894 CA      | 12/00/1976 CA | 92116 San Diego          |
| RUBY     | ALFORD   | 573-03-0687 | 10/11/1903 CA      | 10/00/1969 CA | 90602 Whittier           |
| RUBY     | HALFORD  | 572-46-1138 | 10/25/1905 CA      | 06/00/1986 CA | 94558 Napa               |
| RUBY     | ALFRED   | 554-32-6353 | 10/04/1920 CA      | 02/10/1989    | 94115 San Francisco      |
| RUFUS    | ALFRED   | 561-09-5291 | 02/01/1878 CA      | 03/00/1966 CA | 90001 Florence           |
| RUTH     | ALVORD   | 429-30-9613 | 04/05/1902 AR      | 12/00/1982 CA | 90057 Los Angeles        |
| RUTH     | ALFORD   | 570-72-8797 | 06/26/1902 CA      | 01/00/1979 FL | 32748                    |
| RYLAND   | ALFORD   | 561-10-1019 | 12/02/1900 CA      | 11/00/1966 CA | 90731 San Pedro          |
| SAMUEL   | ALFORD   | 555-11-9058 | 01/16/1959 CA      | 01/00/1984    | 00000 —                  |
| SCOTT    | ALFORD   | 562-26-6671 | 01/21/1924 CA      | 02/16/1989    | 74066 Sapulpa            |
| SETH     | ALVORD   | 555-10-2031 | 08/27/1896 CA      | 11/00/1965 OR | 00000 —                  |
| SIBYL    | HALLFORD | 431-12-3985 | 03/06/1919 AR      | 11/00/1984 CA | 92807 Anaheim 92330      |
| SIGNE    | ALVORD   | 562-26-9441 | 01/27/1908 CA      | 07/16/1989    | 93610 Chowchilla         |
| SIGNE    | ALFORD   | 560-10-8649 | 11/13/1910 CA      | 01/00/1989    | 95010 Capitola           |
| STANLEY  | ALFORD   | 573-10-4053 | 09/07/1896 CA      | 02/00/1963 CA | 00000 —                  |
| STANTON  | ALFORD   | 570-36-8548 | 02/05/1910 CA      | 11/06/1988    | 91720 Corona             |
| SUSAN    | ALFORD   | 571-03-7108 | 12/22/1916 CA      | 09/10/1990    | 95368 Salida             |
| SYREL    | HALFORD  | 433-14-8590 | 02/01/1917 LA      | 10/00/1973 CA | 94116 San Francisco      |
| THELMA   | ALFORD   | 523-28-2102 | 06/11/1905 CO      | 09/00/1975 CA | 94565 Pittsburg          |
| THOMAS   | ALFORD   | 549-03-7013 | 11/15/1886 CA      | 06/00/1976 CA | 92320 Calimesa           |
| THOMAS   | ALFORD   | 554-01-1997 | 08/27/1890 CA      | 03/00/1964 CA | 00000 —                  |
| THOMAS   | HALLFORD | 569-10-0942 | 02/16/1893 CA      | 11/00/1982 CA | 91405 Van Nuys           |
| THOMAS   | ALVORD   | 554-09-3979 | 04/08/1894 CA      | 12/00/1968 CA | 90403 Santa Monica       |
| THOMAS   | ALFORD   | 569-46-3609 | 05/10/1901 CA      | 05/00/1976 CA | 94546 Castro Valley      |
| THOMAS   | ALFORD   | 556-16-3797 | 11/17/1901 CA      | 07/00/1977 MS | 39666 Summit             |
| THOMAS   | ALFORD   | 554-14-0133 | 12/02/1904 CA      | 07/00/1970 CA | 91770 Rosemead           |
| THOMAS   | ALFORD   | 521-05-6022 | 12/22/1908 CO      | 07/00/1976 CA | 90260 Lawndale           |
| THOMAS   | ALFORD   | 549-05-1255 | 01/03/1913 CA      | 04/00/1986 CA | 91750 La Verne           |
| THOMAS   | ALVORD   | 096-14-8961 | 01/02/1924 NY      | 01/00/1987 CA | 95008 Campbell           |
| THOMAS   | ALFRED   | 569-64-5803 | 07/22/1949 CA      | 04/00/1968    | 00000 —                  |
| TINCLEE  | ALFRED   | 527-08-8657 | 04/01/1926 AZ      | 11/00/1986 CA | 94605 Oakland            |
| TRUMAN   | ALFORD   | 556-20-5650 | 09/22/1916 CA      | 08/00/1984 AR | 72611 Alpena             |
| ULYSSES  | ALVORD   | 553-09-4019 | 03/11/1897 CA      | 05/00/1986 CA | 95824 Sacramento         |
| VERDA    | HALFORD  | 573-12-2966 | 05/30/1918 CA      | 08/00/1973 CA | 94005 Brisbane           |
| VERN     | ALVORD   | 560-10-0291 | 11/23/1893 CA      | 06/00/1982 OK | 74601 Ponca City         |
| VICTORIA | ALFRED   | 545-50-7946 | 09/10/1931 CA      | 09/00/1979 MI | 48212 Detroit            |
| VIOLA    | ALFORD   | 565-80-7760 | 07/03/1905 CA      | 12/23/1987    | 92651 Laguna Beach 00000 |
| VIRGIE   | ALFRED   | 564-26-3804 | 05/12/1912 CA      | 10/11/1988    | 72853 Ola                |
| VIRGINIA | ALFORD   | 319-07-6429 | 04/08/1896 IL      | 04/00/1982 CA | 91107 Pasadena           |
| VIRGINIA | ALFORD   | 556-14-6888 | 05/08/1920 CA      | 10/00/1986 CA | 90815 Long Beach         |
| VIVIAN   | ALFORD   | 552-28-8922 | 07/31/1892 CA      | 08/00/1973 CA | 91770 Rosemead           |
| WALTER   | ALVORD   | 573-30-6776 | 02/08/1880 CA      | 01/00/1967 CA | 92626 Costa Mesa         |
| WALTER   | ALFRED   | 562-05-5370 | 09/25/1906 CA      | 06/00/1954    | 00000 —                  |

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| WALTER   | ALFORD    | 512-09-9765        | 01/11/1908 KS | 05/00/1978 CA 91761 Ontario         |
| WAYNE    | HALFORD   | 351-03-1675        | 06/07/1904 IL | 01/00/1967 CA 92054 Oceanside       |
| WENDELL  | ALFORD    | 556-01-8430        | 08/11/1895 CA | 05/00/1981 CA 95819 Sacramento      |
| WILL     | ALFORD    | 264-28-5951        | 01/31/1893 FL | 07/00/1973 CA 92225 Blythe          |
| WILLIAM  | HALFORD   | 271-03-0175        | 07/12/1878 OH | 09/00/1962 CA 00000 —               |
| WILLIAM  | ALFORD    | 563-09-4604        | 02/27/1884 CA | 01/00/1970 CA 90640 Montebello      |
| WILLIAM  | ALFORD    | 570-78-1192        | 01/01/1888 CA | 06/00/1979 CA 90015 Los Angeles     |
| WILLIAM  | HALFORD   | 564-01-3883        | 03/01/1891 CA | 02/00/1960 00000 —                  |
| WILLIAM  | HALFORD   | 563-32-6557        | 08/22/1893 CA | 12/00/1977 CA 90036 Los Angeles     |
| WILLIAM  | ALFORD    | 346-10-8391        | 09/08/1895 IL | 11/00/1977 CA 93101 Santa Barbara   |
| WILLIAM  | ALFORD    | 549-07-7039        | 10/04/1903 CA | 03/00/1973 CA 90602 Whittier        |
| WILLIAM  | ALFORD    | 564-05-0123        | 05/03/1907 CA | 08/02/1989 90602 Whittier           |
| WILLIAM  | ALFORD    | 550-18-3397        | 12/28/1911 CA | 10/00/1979 LA 71446 Leesville       |
| WILLIAM  | HALLFORD  | 547-09-2333        | 11/08/1912 CA | 12/00/1984 OR 97454 Marcola         |
| WILLIAM  | ALFORD    | 518-16-0948        | 01/17/1912 ID | 03/00/1984 CA 95340 Merced          |
| WILLIAM  | ALFRED    | 564-03-3851        | 12/28/1914 CA | 12/00/1966 00000 —                  |
| WILLIAM  | ALFORD    | 296-03-3212        | 10/16/1914 OH | 03/00/1982 CA 92028 Fallbrook       |
| WILLIAM  | HALLFORD  | 527-09-0621        | 09/21/1918 AZ | 07/00/1984 CA 93291 Visalia         |
| WILLIAM  | ALFORD    | 571-01-7743        | 05/03/1918 CA | 11/10/1990 89104 Las Vegas          |
| WILLIAM  | ALFORD    | 550-20-2878        | 10/21/1921 CA | 12/28/1989 76106 Fort Worth         |
| WILLIAM  | ALVORD    | 562-24-7165        | 02/25/1926 CA | 03/25/1990 92407 San Bernardino     |
| WILLIE   | ALFORD    | 261-22-9168        | 03/31/1893 FL | 05/00/1965 CA 00000 —               |
| WILLIE   | ALFORD    | 492-10-0343        | 07/25/1901 MO | 04/00/1974 CA 92227 Brawley         |
| WILLIE   | ALFORD    | 430-26-5478        | 11/26/1905 AR | 12/00/1982 CA 94303 Palo Alto       |
| WILLIE   | ALFORD    | 562-46-9703        | 03/22/1906 CA | 10/00/1981 CA 90059 Los Angeles     |
| WILLIE   | ALFORD    | 554-14-6499        | 07/27/1908 CA | 11/00/1976 GA 30204 Barnesville     |
| WILLIE   | ALFORD    | 434-28-5099        | 05/15/1909 LA | 10/00/1974 CA 94607 Oakland         |
| WILLIE   | ALFORD    | 545-12-3742        | 03/24/1913 CA | 04/00/1971 OK 74880 Weleetka        |
| WILLIE   | ALFORD    | 436-38-5913        | 04/07/1913 LA | 05/00/1984 CA 90002 Los Angeles     |
| WILLIS   | ALFORD    | 551-30-4094        | 12/19/1927 CA | 07/00/1983 CA 92686 Yorba Linda     |
| YVONNE   | ALVORD    | 304-32-3469        | 02/21/1918 IN | 10/00/1986 CA 92001 Alpine          |
| ZEPHYR   | ALFORD    | 567-28-5970        | 08/26/1908 CA | 05/00/1982 CA 94123 San Francisco   |
| ZERELLDA | HOLFORD   | 571-54-6673        | 06/21/1909 CA | 03/00/1985 CA 92050 National City ❖ |

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Alford, AAFA Treasurer Doris Alford Vetri, and a host of other members.

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**JIM J. ALFORD**

*TYLER COURIER-TIMES TELEGRAPH*

Tyler, TX—Sun., 1 Jan 1995

WINNSBORO—Services for Jim J. Alford, 87, Winnsboro, are scheduled for 2 p.m. Monday at Beaty Funeral Home chapel in Winnsboro with the Rev. Garry Gage officiating.

Burial will be in New Pickton Cemetery.

Mr. Alford died Friday at a Winnsboro hospital.

He was born Nov. 22, 1906, in Tishomingo, Okla., to Bennett Jefferson and Cora Bell Burns Alford. He formerly resided in Dallas, was retired from city of Dallas Parks Department and was a member of First Baptist Church of Pickton. He was preceded in death by his wife, Anni Lois Mays Alford in 1989.

Survivors include one son, Paul E. Alford, Grand Prairie; one daughter, Annette Fletcher, Winnsboro;

one brother, Paul Alford, Pickton; one sister, Jewel Thomas, Sulphur Springs; four grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren. Family will receive friends 3-5 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home.

AAFA NOTE: Jim J. Alford is listed in the AAFA genealogy on the descendants list of John Alford born about 1801 in North Carolina. He is a cousin of AAFA Secretary Max Alford, AAFA Treasurer Doris Alford Vetri, and a host of other members. The obituary of Jim's wife, Annie Lois Alford, was printed in *AAFA ACTION*, June 1989, p. 15. ❖

## *David Price, Jr., AAFA Hall of Famer*

David Price, Jr., AAFA #168, was inducted into the Alford Hall of Fame at the 1995 Annual Meeting in Decatur, AL. We're proud to have David as a member, and we thank him for his contributions and support over the years.

Dave has written some genealogical works pertaining to Alford's that he is allowing us to share with you—we'll be printing some of his work in future issues. Dave's interest in genealogy is exceeded only by his lifelong love of magic. An article honoring his contributions to the "world of magic" and filling in the details of Dave's life follows the Proclamation.

### Proclamation

Whereas, the Alford American Family Association was formed in 1987 for the following broad purposes:

1. To collect, record, preserve, disseminate, and perpetuate biographical data and historical information on Alford's and their ancestors.
2. To educate members, particularly those of the younger generations on Alford family history and how it related to the history of our nation.
3. To further fellowship and camaraderie within the living Alford family.

and,

Whereas, the Board of Directors of the Alford American Family Association are desirous of recognizing those individuals of the organization who have contributed greatly and significantly to the furtherance of these broad purposes, and,

Whereas, Mr. David Price of Brentwood, Tennessee was an early and active participant in the aforesaid purposes, and,

Whereas, Mr. Price was of great assistance in the formative years of the Association in establishing and setting the highest standards of research in Alford genealogy, and,

Whereas, his firm insistence on thoroughness of research, meticulous and accurate recording of Alford data and citation of the sources of such data wherever possible, have been a model for all members of the Association to follow, and,

Whereas, Mr. Price has faithfully followed these principles in researching his Alford ancestors, has recorded, assembled in admirable form his Alford research and presented it to the Association, and,

Whereas, his efforts have contributed greatly and significantly to the purposes of the Association, and,

Whereas, for these accomplishments Mr. David Price is recognized and by the direction of the Board of Directors is

hereby inducted into the Alford American Family Association Hall of Fame.

The assistance of Mr. David Price in the early years of the Alford American Family Association are in keeping with the highest and finest traditions of the ancient, proud, honorable and illustrious name of Alford.

I, therefore, set my hand and seal this 14th day of October in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety-Five.

Benjamin F. Alford, Jr., President

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From *The Linking Ring*, undated

I.B.M. members should know David Price, Jr. from his marvelous, 550 page book *MAGIC, A Pictorial History of Conjurers in the Theater* (1985), and as collector, curator, and caretaker of David Price's Egyptian Hall Museum of Magic in Brentwood, Tennessee, a suburb of Nashville. Order of Merlin members who attended the 1987 Nashville convention will remember his informative talk at the Merlin Breakfast, while spouses who attended the Spouses Coffee will remember Virginia Price's talk about indigenous birds and her caring of them. (Mrs. Price founded The Amelia Laskey Memorial Wildlife Refuge, a tax-exempt sanctuary named for Nashville's most famous woman ornithologist. Mrs. Price was well-known for her "bird hospital" where, until recently, she treated sick and injured birds. She was featured in Ripley's "Believe It Or Not" for her bird caretaking.)

Price was born December 15, 1910 in St. Louis, Missouri. At six-years-of-age, young David saw a magic performance by a preacher who used magic as a way to get youngsters into church. As with many of us, once "bitten," the "bug" never left him.

David's father traveled and David was educated in Missouri, Illinois, and Tennessee. He got into magic seriously in high school, and by eighteen, David was appearing before civic clubs and smalltown audiences under the stage name of "de Livingston, the Master Mystifier." Price says, "I was what is known as a 40-miler. I played within a 100-mile radius of Nashville."

In 1929, David joined the I.B.M. and it is a source of pride that his membership card is signed by W.W. Durbin. "Unfortunately," he says, "during the depression years I technically dropped out of the organization. Those were

tough times, and we cut cards to determine who would retain membership. Throughout my period of non-membership, I continued to receive the magazine and have a complete file on my library shelves. I have since worked my way back to membership in the Order of Merlin; but, my age will prevent my attainment of the higher plateau.”

From 1929 through 1944, Price worked schools, clubs and theaters professionally. In 1934, he married Virginia Lane, to whom he was introduced by Paul McWilliams, a great magic friend and a professional magician for some forty years. Virginia half seriously says, “he married me because he needed an assistant.”

However, the war cut short his professional career and David served in the European and Pacific theatres of war during World War II. Upon discharge, war injuries to his feet (broken arches) prevented him from continuing his career in show business. He went to work in a bank and his experience there in accounting and his military service won him permission to take the Certified Public Accountant exam. He passed and went on to become an officer of the Internal Revenue Service from 1947 through 1964.

During this period, he sought and received permission from the IRS to teach courses in taxes at the University of Tennessee in Nashville. At this same time (1949–1963) Estes Kefauver was one of the two U.S. Senators from Tennessee, and Virginia Price worked for the Senator as a field representative.

Although he could no longer perform after the war, David’s interest in magic still remained strong. In 1954, he struck a deal with Tom Dowd, Ohio attorney and farmer, to purchase the memorabilia in W.W. Durbin’s Egyptian Hall Theatre which Tom had purchased in 1940. This collection of posters and photographs of magicians became the start of the Price Museum.

The museum is private and non-commercial, its only purpose being to collect, preserve and display the mementoes of magicians. It has now grown “a thousand fold,” David says, but the W.W. Durbin collection was its start and the source of its name. “I designed this house and museum,” says Price, “there are no windows (in the museum room) so light won’t fade the posters....” The museum contains ceiling-height antique posters, a lifelike head used in a decapitation illusion, and an eight-foot tall “scrapbook” or poster-display rack attached to the wall by hinges. One “page” has a display of over 75 wands used by magicians....

David Price, Jr. is now 84 years young. For the past ten years he has been confined to a wheel chair due the worsening of his feet from his WWII injuries. This has not slowed down his enthusiasm for magic, his collecting, nor (we hope) his writing about magic and magicians. The entire world of magic owes him a debt of gratitude for preserving the posters, photos, apparatus, letters, and other magicians’ memorabilia in his collection for the enjoyment and study of current and future generations.... ❖



## *Indiana Alford Brothers in the Civil War*

A relatively new book has been published about three Alford brothers who were killed in the Civil War. They were from an Indiana family that descends from the John Alford whose will was dated 1748 in Frederick County, VA.

The Indiana Historical Society is the repository for a collection of family letters and artifacts that were donated by Richard Lobban of Cranston, RI. Richard S. Skidmore compiled the letters into *The Alford Brothers: We All Must Dye Sooner of Later*. The book is available from The Nugget Publishers, 2146 S. Logan's Point Drive; Hanover, IN 47243 (812) 866-4456. The cost is \$23.95 plus \$3.00 postage.

### **Indiana Historical Society Collection**

On the Indiana Historical Society's Web page, <http://www.ihs1830.org/alford.htm>, the collection is described:

**ALFORD FAMILY PAPERS**  
1856-1889

Collection #M 229, OM 313  
1 manuscript box, 1 oversize folder, 3 artifacts

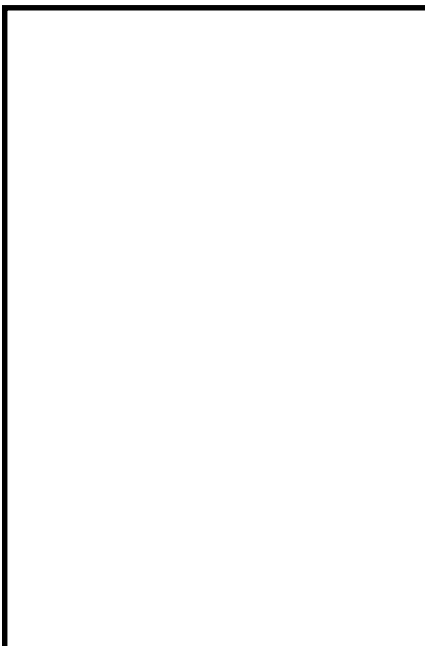
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24 March 1994

**COLLECTION DATES:**  
Inclusive 1856-1889; bulk 1861-1862

Donated by:  
Richard Lobban  
23 Fort Avenue, Cranston RI 02905  
14 March 1994

The Alford and Gilley families were among the early settlers of Daviess County, Indiana. James Alford (1791-1864) and his brother William came

from Virginia to Reeve Township in 1810, and James Gilley from South Carolina a year later. The town of Alfordsville (present population 121) was laid out in 1845. James Alford's son, Franklin Alford (1815-1893), helped organize the Christian Church in Alfordsville, and was addressed as Elder. He married Mary Gilley (1819-1890), and they had seven children; among them were three sons who died in the Civil War and who are the main figures in this collection.



The oldest son, James Warren Alford (1839-1862) enlisted with the 14th Indiana Volunteer Regiment in the spring of 1861, and was appointed corporal in July. The regiment served first at Cheat Mountain in West Virginia, then in the Shenandoah Valley. In July 1862 they were at Harrison's Landing, and in September at Antietam. Warren Alford was wounded in the lungs at Antietam, and died two days later.

During the summer of 1861 the next two brothers, Wayne Alford (ca1841-1862) and Lafayette Alford (1843-

1862) stayed home wanting to enlist, and then in October joined the 6th Indiana Volunteers. The regiment went first to Kentucky and then to Tennessee, where it saw action at Shiloh and Corinth. Lafayette Alford, a corporal, died at home of disease in May 1862. Wayne Alford, a sergeant, died of typhoid fever at Corinth in June 1862.

Two younger brothers survived, George Washington Alford and Thomas Green Alford (1852-1919), as well as a sister, Helen. Another relative, B.F. Gilley, also served in the 6th Indiana Volunteers. Another, sometimes called George W. Alford and sometimes George W. Gilley (his mother was Sarah Ann Alford), was killed while serving in the 18th Indiana.

Dr. James S. Lavery, a friend of Franklin Alford, served in the medical department of the 6th Indiana, and frequently wrote to Franklin Alford about his sons Wayne and Lafayette.

While dealing with the deaths of his three sons, Franklin Alford also had to cope with the mental illness of a sister or sister-in-law, Elizabeth Kellams, who in 1862-1863 was placed in asylums in Washington, Indiana, and in Indianapolis.

Sources for the above:  
Materials in collection  
Fulkerson, History of Daviess County (1915), pp. 154, 281, 621  
History of Knox and Daviess Counties (1886), pp. 594, 650, 651, 672, 715, 740, 879

### **SCOPE AND CONTENT**

This collection, filling one manuscript box and one oversize folder, contains correspondence and legal and government documents from the years 1856-1889. It is arranged chronologically.

The bulk of the material is correspondence concerning the three Alford sons fighting in the Civil War (Warren, Wayne, and Lafayette) and their family at home. The most important figure is Warren Alford, who kept up not only with his parents but with his younger brothers, even when they were in uniform.

The collection is unusual in several ways. First, it contains a large number of letters covering a period of a few months, and gives both sides of several different exchanges of letters. Second, the sons at the front saw quite a lot of action, and they give a considerable amount of tactical information, as well as news about morale and living conditions. Third, this was a very religious family—Franklin Alford was a church elder, and Warren was a serious member of his Bible Union—and religious expressions turn up frequently in the letters. Fourth, though the brothers did not spell very well, they had carefully learned that a letter should have a formal beginning and ending. Most letters start with some variation of “It is with pleasure that I seat myself with pen in hand to...” or “I now take the opportunity of writing you a few lines to let you know that I am well and hope if this comes to hand in due time it will find you well.” The closing commonly used by all three brothers is poignant under the circumstances: “Your affectionate brother to death.”

After the death of the three brothers in 1862, the collection continues with efforts by relatives to get government compensation, with the sad history of Elizabeth Kellams, and with correspondence of Franklin Alford and his surviving children, Helen, George W., and Thomas Green.

Three oversize items, an 1860 deed of land to Warren Alford, his 1862 appointment as corporal, and an 1862 affidavit by Franklin Alford to secure back pay for Wayne Alford, are in OM 313.

The collection also includes two items used by one of the brothers, a cartridge belt with brass “Excelsior” buckle, and a brass powder flask; also a wooden box with hand-wrought hasp, in which the letters were kept. These items are stored in Artifacts.

## Book Review

Non-member Ruth Hoggatt, (bhoggatt@dialin.ind.net) of Madison, IN, typed and sent via e-mail a book review she found in her local paper:



*THE MADISON COURIER*  
Madison, IN—9 Dec 95

## The Alford Brothers

By Laura Hodges

### Local man writes unique book on Civil War

Richard S. Skidmore of Hanover begins his new book in a way that leaves no doubt about its conclusion: “Simply, this is the story of three brothers who volunteer to fight in the American Civil War. In 17 months the story ends, all three are dead.”

Skidmore is editor of “The Alford Brothers: We All Must Dye Sooner of Later.” The volume is a compilation of letters written by three Hoosier men,

and the letters their family members wrote to them in the field. The two-way nature of the correspondence is what distinguishes the book from other collections of Civil War letters or journal entries.

“There are many instances of a boy’s letters being saved by the family especially if the boy died. But the boy’s letters in the field would be literally destroyed from frequent readings,” Skidmore explained. The Alford book is also unique because it represents the correspondence of three brothers, J. Warren Alford, who served in the east with the 14th Indiana Infantry, and Wayne and Lafayette Alford, who served in the west with the 6th Indiana Infantry. The young men’s father, mother, sisters and friends composed other letters that reflect what was happening on the Alford’s large farm in Daviess County in southeastern Indiana.

### Serendipitous find

Skidmore, a retired IBM manager, has published several other Civil War books through his Nugget Publishers. Finding an unpublished treasure like the Alford letters was “pure and simple serendipity,” he said.

A woman with whom he had gone to elementary school, Helen Jean McClelland, is now a professor of history at Franklin College. When she was at a professional conference in Michigan she overheard someone at a nearby table discussing the Alford letters. “She told me she accosted him!” chuckled Skidmore.

Contacts were made and soon Skidmore and Alford descendant Richard Lobban were interviewing each other over the telephone. Lobban is a professor of anthropology at Rhode Island College and had inherited the entire collection of Alford papers.

“It goes way beyond letters—it was every scrap of paper these people saved,” marveled Skidmore. The two men quickly established the trust necessary for Skidmore to serve as editor of the letters carefully passed down through several generations of Alford.

Skidmore was a little skeptical about the success of the project because the collection contained not a single photograph. With their family history of saving everything, the Alford surely saved photographs too, Skidmore theorized. “I’ve got to believe they’re out there somewhere—and maybe they’ll turn up now,” after publication of his book, he said.

To illustrate his volume, Skidmore turned to historical photographs of people and places mentioned in the letters. In transcribing and editing the manuscripts over nearly two years, Skidmore worked from photocopies of the letters. Spelling was variable, capital letters and punctuation almost non-existent. The editor added capitals and periods so readers could distinguish sentences, but he kept the original spellings—such as “dye” in the title’s quote from Warren Alford.

At times the handwriting was unreadable—to both Skidmore and Lobban. “There were some we’d just have to give up on,” said Skidmore.

Lobban, a descendent of a younger Alford brother, Thomas Green Alford, has since donated the handwritten letters to the Indiana Historical Society. “I don’t think he realized how much more he could have gotten for these on the open market—maybe \$20,000 to \$25,000,” smiled Skidmore. He said the documents have now been microfilmed so they will [be] available to researchers....

**Moving story**

The Alford letters recount everyday

events in the life of a soldier. They illuminate the human side of the four major military campaigns the young soldiers were involved in; western Virginia in 1861, then the Shenandoah Valley, Shiloh and Antietam in 1862.

The young men ask family members to take care of business matters, inquire about friends, and worry about “secessionists” on the homefront. Family members write back about getting in the crops and feeding the livestock. They also provide a constant stream of religious exhortations aimed at keeping their soldiers’ morale high.

“At first the father’s letters put me off—the religious discourses,” said Skidmore. But he found that as he became more emotionally involved in the family’s life during his work on the book, he came to accept their religious views, along with the sentimentality of their letters, as typical of the era.

Skidmore has been told that the ending of the book carries an emotional punch. Even though the book begins with the matter-of-fact statement that all of the three soldiers die in service, readers tell Skidmore that they nevertheless feel a jolt when the last letter, from Capt. William Houghton, recounts errands to which he attended and adds, “and Mr. Alford had to get a coffin.”

Skidmore said he is pleased his book will bring the extraordinary Alford correspondence to a wider audience. Copies of the book are available locally at Steinhart and Hanson, the Jefferson County Historical Society Museum, Books Etc. and Clifty Inn.”

**Gil Alford’s Review**

Gil Alford ordered the book for AAFA and highly recommends it. His comments follow:

The 6x9 inch softbound book consists of 356 pages with an index. It has a seven page bibliography with extensive end notes in each of the five chapters. In addition to the five chapters there is a very interesting and informative introduction and there is a six page epilogue. Each of the chapters has its own extensive background about the places, persons and events applicable to the period in which the letters were written. The five periods (chapters) of the letters are May to August 1861; August to October 1861; October 1861 to January 1862 and April to October 1862. The letters themselves have been typeset but as a faithful representation of the original with the same spelling, capitalization, etc. At the beginning of the book there is a good handwriting specimen of nine of the correspondents.

Anyone named “Alford” or interested in the family history would be proud to own the book and very proud of the three brothers and some of their kin. I thought I “knew” the family but I was very impressed. I think there is no other book in modern time that mentions the word “Alford” more often than this one. Any Civil War buff will go crazy over the material. Anyone who has an interest in American history in general will appreciate it. The photographs—120 illustrations and 21 maps—alone tell a story. I’m a map buff and I’ve seen very few similar books with maps done as well as these. I believe the 196

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letters written by the brothers, their family and friends/kin will be great for some studies in literature. Those who fancy themselves as students of human nature and/or society will find many rewards in the book. Though it was not written as a genealogy or even for genealogical purposes, I was able to add much valuable information to our genealogy on this branch of the family—as well as clear up several questions I'd made in our records. Related Alford families might want to display it on the coffee table even if they did not have time to read it.

The blurb on the back says: “This book contains a compelling story of three brothers from Alfordville, Indiana, who serve—and die—in the American Civil War. The story is told with 196 family letters: letters written by five brothers, two sisters, a father, a mother, aunts, uncles, cousins, a doctor, and a commanding officer. The letters cover the period May 1861 to October 1862—the Civil War service of the oldest brother.”

“The Civil War, of course, is the central issue. The three oldest Alford brothers relate their daily experience as soldiers, one brother in the east with the 14th Indiana Infantry and two in the west with the 6th Indiana Infantry. Their combined activities include service in four major military campaigns: western Virginia in 1861; then the Shenandoah Valley, Shiloh and Antietam in 1862.”

“The daily activities at home also are a part of the story. There were special concerns, beyond worrying about the soldier-sons. The large Alford farm had to be worked with three less workers. The farm economy was uncertain and there were debts going unpaid. In the community, there was a Copperhead problem. There was dissension at the church. An insane aunt needed care. And lots of unfounded rumors.”

## Family History

Gil Alford compiled information from AAFA files and the book for an ancestor table (ahnentafel) that takes the line back, from the youngest of the three brothers, to the supposed ultimate ancestor, John Alford, who we estimate was born about 1696 in Maryland and died 1748 in Frederick County, VA. The information is still in the draft or formative stage, and we welcome any further information or clarification.

1. James Warren Alford born Dec 22 1838, Indiana, died Sep 21 1862, Civil War, buried: Alco, Missouri. He was a Corporal in the 14th Indiana Infantry.

### Parents

2. Franklin Alford born Jul 15 1815, Wythe Co., Virginia, married Feb 21 1836, in Daviess Co., Indiana, Mary Ann Gilley. Franklin died in 1893, Kansas. It is said he moved from Virginia to Indiana with his parents at age one. Later, with his own family, he moved to Allen County, Kansas.

3. Mary Ann Gilley born Mar 19 1819, Indiana, died Mar 23 1890, buried: Goodwill Cem., Loogootee, Martin Co. IN.

### Grandparents

4. James Alford born Dec 21 1791, Giles Co., Virginia, married 1813, in Wythe Co., Virginia, Hannah Baker. James died Aug 9 1861, Daviess Co., Indiana, buried: Alford Cem. Daviess Co., Indiana. The family lived for a while in Virginia and moved to Indiana in 1816 where they settled on the south bank of the White River at Portersville, DuBois County. They also lived in Gibson County, Indiana where James was known as Captain Alford. They next moved a few miles north to a 2-story hewed log house in what was to become Alfordville, Indiana. James Alford founded the town and gave it its

name. He gave ground for the first church—a Christian Church which most of the Alfords attended—and it was the first church in Reeves Township, DuBois County. He also gave land for the first school house in Reeves Township. [The preceding data came from a sketch written by Jewell Gallagher, AAFA 003; she credits three different associates as sources.]

5. Hannah Baker born 1791, Wythe Co., Virginia, died Aug 27 1875, Peru, Chataqua Co., Kansas, buried: Alford Cem. After she was widowed Hannah Baker Alford moved to Chautauqua County, Kansas with her granddaughter, Orlena (Harris) Alford whom she had raised. They made the move in 1869 and she died in 1875. She is buried in the Alford cemetery near Peru, Kansas.

### Great-Grandparents

8. John Alford born \_\_\_\_ ca1768, Augusta/Wythe County, Virginia, married (1) Oct 26 1789, in Montgomery County, Virginia, Eleanor Hoge, married (2) Nov 3 1815, in Giles County, Virginia, Peggy Crawford. John died Kentucky or Missouri. [Born 1768–1769 according to Montgomery County, tax rolls. His whereabouts are unknown after 1829. Some think he died in Kentucky and others, at least a Clara V. Alford, says Missouri. Ruth Moran says he was born between March 31 and October 27 1768. Ruth, could we have your source or logic?? Some earlier accounts showed wives Miss Hayes and Miss Smith but nothing has been found to support them so they are no longer listed.]

9. Eleanor Hoge born Apr 5 1769, Botetourt County, Virginia, died Dec \_\_\_\_ 1814, Montgomery County, VA.

10. Joseph Joel Baker married Nannie R. Smith.

11. Nannie R. Smith.

*(Continued on p. 59)*

# Alfords in Show Biz

All of the following were found on the Internet by Pam Thompson, Editor

## DAVID ALFORD

By Barb Schroeder  
 E-mail: DavidFsFan@nashville.com  
<http://www.nashville.com/~DavidFsFan/dalford.html>

[Below] is a photo that appeared in *THE NASHVILLE SCENE* November 2, 1995, showing David as "Pip" in *Great Expectations* with co-star Jennifer Rohn (Estella). In the review of the play, Grace Renshaw wrote: "Actor David Alford, who is also artistic director of the Mockingbird Public Theatre, gives a wonderful performance as Pip."

David Alford is a native of nearby Adams, TN. He received a B.A. in Theatre from Austin Peay State University in Clarksville. Through the encouragement of playwright Arthur Kopit and APSU's Center for the Creative Arts, David was accepted to the Juilliard School for Drama in New York, and was awarded its Saint-Denis Prize for Excellence in 1991. Regional and off-Broadway credits include leading roles for Seattle Repertory Theatre, Hartford Stage Company, Philadelphia Drama Guild, and New York Theatre Workshop.

In 1993, David moved to the Nashville area and was granted a Fox Fellowship for the formation of Mockingbird Public Theatre, a professional company dedicated to the advancement of southern theatrical artists. He serves on

Mockingbird's Board of Directors as Vice-President/Treasurer and is on Staff as Director.... David's Nashville credits include *Becket*, *The Glass Menagerie*, *Fish or Cut Bait*, *Love and Privilege*, and *A Southern Christmas Sampler* for Mockingbird; and *Ramayana* for Nashville Academy Theatre. *Great Expectations* was his first production with The Rep.

David lives on his family farm in Adams with his wife Katrina and son Overton.

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## JIM ALFORD

University of Virginia  
 Department of Drama  
 Costumer/ Costume Shop Supervisor

M.F.A. in Costume Design, University of Texas at Austin. Jim joined the UVA Department of Drama's faculty/staff in 1993, after having served as costumer/costume shop manager for the New Mexico Repertory Theatre in Santa Fe. Prior to his work in New Mexico, Jim served as assistant wigmaster for the Alabama Shakespeare Festival. Between 1984-1989, Jim was resident costume designer for Angelo Civic Theatre. During his career he has designed extensively, including for dance and opera, and has worked with Campbell Baird, Carol Burnett, and Charlton Heston.

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## PERRY HALFORD

*LOS ANGELES TIMES*  
 Orange County Edition  
 28 November 1994

'Glory' Is Sheer Spectacle, If Not Sheer Poetry

By Robert Koehler

GARDEN GROVE—When Ben Jonson and Inigo Jones meshed talents for the word and image with their

spectacular 17th-Century masques for the English court, they made some of the first movies.

They were also anticipating a show such as "The Glory of Christmas" at the Crystal Cathedral, which, after 13 years, must surely rank among the most grandiose religious masques anywhere. Jonson and Jones could only dream, for instance, of the tricks pulled off by Flying by Foy, that ubiquitous outfit responsible for getting the show's many hovering angels off the ground....

\* "The Glory of Christmas," Crystal Cathedral, 12141 Lewis St., Garden Grove. Call for times. \$12-\$30. Through Dec. 30. (714) 544-5679....

A Paul David Dunn production. Writer-producer-director: Paul David Dunn....

Lights: **Perry Halford** and Terry Larson.

Special effects: Rick Helgason.

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### LES ALFORD

#### JAWS 3-D

From Magill's Survey of Cinema by Salem Press

Abstract:

When a greedy film director, Philip FitzRoyce (Simon MacCorkindale), wants to kill a recently captured great white shark on camera, its mother comes to the rescue, terrorizing a town in Florida.

Country of Origin: USA

Release Date: 1983

Production Line: Rupert Hitzig for Landsburg; released by Universal

Director: Joe Alves

Cast: [on a long list]

Reporter - **Les Alford**

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### BEVERLY ALFORD HILDA ALFORD

*LOS ANGELES TIMES*  
Orange County Edition  
22 February 1992

**A Wildly Successful Program 'Rock and Roll and Other Outrageous Musical Hilarities' in Orange is happily out of control.**

By M.E. Warren

ORANGE—The inspirational spark for "A Comical Look at Rock and Roll and Other Outrageous Musical Hilarities" at Chapman University seems to have been the hypothetical premise that one out of every seven Americans is an Elvis impersonator. This satire of American popular music is every bit as loose as that framework would suggest. It's a big, overgrown puppy of a production, friendly and entertaining and out of control....

With [on a long list]:

**Beverly Alford, Hilda Alford**

At Chapman Auditorium, 333 N. Glassell St., Orange, today, Sunday and Feb. 28 and 29....

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### BRENDA ALFORD

*MIAMI TIMES*  
27 April 1995

**Overtown treated to Harlem jazz**

By Traci Y. Pollock

Students, faculty and friends of Union Institute gathered in Overtown Saturday for a taste of jazz from the Harlem Renaissance.

Sponsored by the Black Archives, History and Research Foundation of South Florida, the free concert was the peak of a five-day seminar for graduate students of Union Institute designed to explore the experiences of the Harlem Renaissance as a cultural movement.

The performance took place in the atrium of Biscayne View Apartments, where jazz vocalist **Brenda Alford** paid a musical tribute to the era.

She sang legendry songs like "In a Sentimental Mood," "Bye Bye Black Bird" and "T'aint Nobody's Business." She even dedicated Billy Holiday's "God Bless the Child" to two high school jazz musicians who gave surprise performances on saxophone and keyboard....

This year, students and faculty from across the country came to Miami to study the influence of the era of the Harlem Renaissance in Overtown.

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### ROGER ALLFORD

#### X-Files Cast Lists (By Episode)

On this list of all the actors who have had large or small roles on X-Files episodes we find actor Roger Allford, who appeared in two episodes.

##### Season 2

Episode 7: "3"

Written by Chris Ruppenthal, Glen Morgan and James Wong

Original Broadcast: 4 Nov 1994

**Roger Allford** played "Garrett Lore"

##### Season 3

Episode 9: "Nisei"

Written by Frank Spotnitz, Howard Gordon and Chris Carter

Original Broadcast: 24 Nov 1995

**Roger Allford** played "Harbourmaster"



## Alfords in the News

All of the following articles were found on the Internet by Pam Thompson, AAFA #30.



### ALYCE ALFORD

*LOS ANGELES TIMES*  
Los Angeles, CA—28 February 1994

#### Postal Carriers Unleash Frustration Over Dog Attacks

GARDEN GROVE—Marching, chanting mail carriers were out in force making an unusual Sunday morning delivery.

They were delivering a message dear to postal carriers' hearts—and other parts of their anatomy: "Keep your dogs locked up. They bite."

Local Postmaster **Alyce Alford**, who led the march of letter carriers and their families, said the protest was intended to heighten public awareness of dog attacks on mail carriers, which she said is on the rise in Garden Grove.

"Everyone in Garden Grove seemingly has a dog," Alford said, as the 100 protesters quick-stepped a one-mile route through the center of the city.

Six Garden Grove mail carriers have been bitten in as many months, according to Alford, who was once chased up a fence herself by a pursuing mutt that latched onto the seat of her pants....

In fiscal 1993, 2,733 carriers

nationwide were injured by dogs. Although injuries are on the decline nationally from a peak in the frantic dog-bite days of the 1980s, postal carriers have only their wits, their satchel and an apparently not-quite-effective pepper spray to keep the hounds at bay.

"They eat the spray, they drink the spray, the spray doesn't hurt them," Alford insisted as she led the marchers on a route through quiet residential streets.

None of the letter carriers bothered to bring their spray cans.

"What good would it be to bring the pepper spray? It's glorified salad dressing," Alford said....

Postal authorities can withhold mail delivery, even bypass an entire block, if a serious threat is perceived, Alford said. But such tactics are a last resort and can be avoided if pet owners keep their dogs inside or otherwise secured during mail delivery hours....

[Alyce Alford was previously an "Alford in the News," *AAFA ACTION*, Winter 1994, p. 20.]

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**ANNE HALFORD**

*LOS ANGELES TIMES*  
Orange County Edition  
Los Angeles, CA—19 March 1995

#### Orange County in Bankruptcy; Victims of Circumstance / Fifty Faces of the Financial Collapse

[Excerpt]

#### **ANNE HALFORD, 65**

Job: Office assistant at registrar of voters, with county 15 years.

Personal: Salary, \$25,500. Married. Two children.

Impact: "The term that was used was 'phased out.' They told me I would have to move, that I could go somewhere else but they didn't know when, they didn't know where. They don't call it 'laid off,' but the effects are the same. That means I don't have work. I'm looking for work. I'm working to get my retirement. Nobody down there knows when I'm going to get it. People like me are bearing the brunt of somebody else's error.

"Now when I go to buy something, I think, 'Well, do I really need it?' I'm not buying anything new. We just get the bare necessities. We were planning to go to a family reunion in southern Missouri. Now we can't go."

Next: "I'm getting unemployment while I'm looking for work. But now I'm offered \$4.50 or \$5 (per hour) for work as clerks, retail sales and things like that, if they have an opening. I was getting good pay, and I had a good job. That may never be the case again."

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**BOB HALFORD**

*LOS ANGELES TIMES*  
Orange County Edition  
Los Angeles, CA—11 May 1994

#### Titles Aren't Only Measure of Success in Santa Ana

District coaches use sports to foster positive attitudes and teach students about life off the field.

By Michael Itagaki

SANTA ANA—Crime and gang concerns are some of the obstacles encountered by athletic programs in Santa Ana. The high schools in the

Santa Ana Unified District—Century, Saddleback, Santa Ana and Santa Ana Valley—also face other barriers that can hinder attempts to build a successful program.

There are socioeconomic barriers for many of the students. Some have part-time jobs to help support their families. Some have younger siblings to supervise while their parents are working, so there is little time for many to participate in extra-curricular activities.

Despite these obstacles, there are coaches and players in these athletic programs who have been successful. Although Southern Section championships might not be plentiful, the programs have taught many to succeed outside the athletic arena....

There was also a rabid boys' basketball following at Century.

In the Centurions' gym, more than 100 students sat courtside in a section dubbed "The Zoo."

The students sat in portable chairs, cheering and waving flags and stuffed animals in a roped-off area under the supervision of three Century administrators known as "the zookeepers."

Athletic Director **Bob Halford**, also a graphic arts teacher, was one of them. He made T-shirts for The Zoo's students and printed flyers promoting the games, Century boys' basketball Coach Greg Coombs said.

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### CHUCK ALVORD

*LOS ANGELES TIMES*  
Orange County Edition  
Los Angeles, CA—5 May 1995

Orange County In Bankruptcy  
O.C. Home Sales Plunge 40% as  
Bankruptcy Pains Worsen

By Debora Vrana

In a clear sign that Orange County's bankruptcy is still paralyzing

the housing market here, home sales dropped by nearly 40% last month from the year before.

April's decline is the fourth straight month of falling home sales in the county, where drops have been much steeper than in nearby Los Angeles and Riverside counties, according to TRW REDI Property Data, a real estate data company in Riverside....

For the past three months, **Chuck Alvord** has been trying to sell his \$785,000 Corona del Mar home to move to a different home in the area. Alvord has seen lots of lookers but no buyers.

"There was a lot of talk about the market being sluggish, but we just wanted to sell," said Alvord. "Some people we talk to are worried about the bankruptcy, but mostly it's those people coming from other areas into the county."...

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### JOHN HALFORD

*LOS ANGELES TIMES*  
Ventura County Edition  
Los Angeles, CA—30 April 1996

Ash Poses a Danger to Homes,  
Cars, Pools, Pets

By Gali Kronenberg

Fire and smoke are more hazardous, but the ash scattered by Monday's wildfire can damage the homes, cars and pools it falls on....

Ash can annoy animals too, according to an Ojai veterinarian. **John Halford** urged pet owners to bring their dogs and cats inside. "The ash can irritate their eyes," Halford said.

Smoke can frighten animals, Halford said. He recommended evacuating pets before flames get too close.

"There may not be time later," he said. "There's nothing worse than frightened animals in a fire."...

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### KELVIN ALFORD

*LOS ANGELES TIMES*  
Home Edition, Metro, Page 3  
Friday November 20, 1992

Man Fleeing Police Killed When He  
Crashes Car

A man fleeing police was killed early Thursday when his car plowed into another vehicle in Carson, authorities said. The collision left two people in the second vehicle injured....

In the incident Thursday, police said Sergio Torres, 22, ran a red light as he fled officers, plowing his car into a vehicle making a turn at Torrance Boulevard and Figueroa Street in Carson....

At Torrance and Figueroa, Kunz said, Torres struck a car driven by **Kelvin Alford**, 21. Alford and his passenger, Norma Escovedo, 23, suffered multiple injuries. Both were listed in serious condition at Harbor-UCLA Medical Center....

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### MARY ALVORD

*LOS ANGELES TIMES*  
Los Angeles, CA—2 October 1994

Burbank's Big Leagues; At  
Olive Memorial Stadium, Hap-  
less St. Louis Browns Got Some  
Respect

By Vivien Lou Chen

Before the age of multimillion-dollar salaries and lucrative athletic endorsements, the players on the St. Louis Browns struggled for just a little bit of respect.

They got it, of all places, in Burbank, where the feckless baseball team conducted spring training from 1949 to 1952 at Olive Memorial Stadium.

Hundreds of spectators, among



them Bing Crosby, Bob Hope, Dinah Shore and Nat King Cole, eagerly piled into the stadium to see the likes of pitcher Satchel Paige and Manager Rogers Hornsby in 1952, despite the fact that the Browns were arguably the worst team to ever play the game....

Today, all that is left of Burbank's only brush with the majors is a worn playing field and a 26-foot-high stadium that the city's Parks and Recreation Department has recommended be demolished. Public support for preserving the site has all but faded...

These days, softball is the sport of choice in Burbank. Many, such as Parks and Recreation Director **Mary Alvord**, contend that Olive Memorial's playing field should be split into four softball fields and that a new stadium should be built.

"The needs today are different than when the stadium was built," she said. "This is an existing facility that is basically falling apart. The bottom line is something has to happen."

Building a stadium is expected to cost \$500,000, Alvord said. About half that money, she added, will come from a state grant that had been earmarked for preserving the site. The Burbank City Council is scheduled to consider additional funding for the project Oct. 18.

About the only piece of Olive Memorial Stadium that Alvord and others want to keep is a sculptured concrete column and a set of plaques that honor World War II veterans....

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**PHILIP ALFORD**

*LOS ANGELES TIMES*  
Valley Edition  
Los Angeles, CA—9 May 1995

**Complex Business, Simple Success**

CALABASAS—Just what exactly does Tekelec do? CEO Philip Alford

hears that question all the time. But although people are confused by what Tekelec makes, they understand the bottom line.

So do investors: Tekelec's stock has leaped nearly 700% in a year to \$23.25 a share from around \$3 early last year. The Calabasas company is getting lots of attention. And Alford's getting lots of practice handling the what-do-you-do questions.

What Tekelec does is make testers and switches for phone systems—building blocks, if you will, of information networks.

But when you get more specific, you quickly enter what Alford calls "an industry of three-letter words." Tekelec's literature overflows with terms such as: LAN, WAN, SS7, GSM, PCS, to name a few. Cram a few into a single sentence, and you start to understand why Alford is so good at answering questions. Even Tekelec's customers suffer from this syndrome, with names like NEC, GTE and AT & T.

Sure, it all gets a little confusing, Alford said. But for those with the temerity to delve into this world, there's money to be made. And Tekelec is not the only local company to cash in. Many companies in the San Fernando Valley and Ventura County are quietly exploiting arcane niches of the booming telecommunications business, and some with startling success....

In a nutshell, these companies provide hardware and software for the world's exploding new information networks. People are doing all sorts of new things with phones and PCs: carrying them about, hooking them together, using them for telecommuting, video conferencing and surfing the Internet....

"Communications are coming into the limelight," said Tekelec's Alford. "Everyone's looking for an edge." But lest it appear that this is easy money, Tekelec's history is instructive. Just two years ago, the company was having troubles and racked up a whopping \$18.5 million loss in 1993. "We were trying to focus on too many things," Alford said.

Alford, 41, decided to concentrate on what Tekelec did best. He homed in on testing devices for new phone systems and switching platforms—essentially boards of circuitry that help setup 800 numbers and other phone services provided by phone and cellular companies.

These were good choices. The testing devices, which monitor signals as they travel through networks, are doing well because Tekelec's customers—including Sprint and AT&T—are using lots of new cables and switches and other technology, all of which needs to be tested. And switches in general enjoy an exalted place among telecommunications gadgets. Your network is only as good as your switch. In the industry jargon, a switch that doesn't cut it is a "bandwidth bottleneck." Tekelec's switching systems, introduced by the company as a new product just three years ago, have already grown to 35% of sales.

As a result, Tekelec's profit for the first quarter that ended March 31 shot up to \$1.47 million from \$126,000 a year earlier. Revenues increased 43% to \$18.6 million. Alford had laid off about 60 employees during 1992 and 1993. But thanks to the company's recent growth, Tekelec has started hiring again....

Despite the impressive numbers, companies that make pieces of networks have remained low profile. Tekelec's Alford said he has trouble finding trained engineers because "there is not really a focus on communications here. . . . The glamour businesses in L.A. are aerospace and entertainment."...

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**WILLIAM R. HALFORD**

*LOS ANGELES TIMES*  
Home Edition: Business  
Los Angeles, CA—25 July 1994

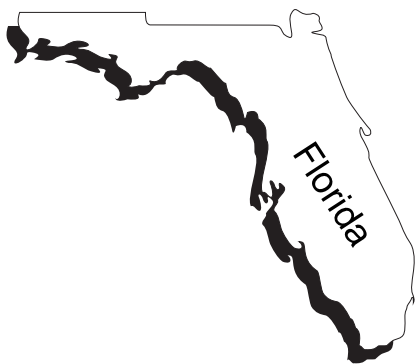
**William R. Halford** has been appointed to the newly created position of vice president of leasing and

marketing for the [PM Realty Group] Irvine Co.'s 11-million-square-foot office and industrial portfolio. He assumes the position Aug. 15. The Irvine Co.'s leasing activity was previously handled by outside property management firms. Halford was formerly vice president of leasing and marketing for PM Realty Group....

In another article:

*LOS ANGELES TIMES*  
Orange County Edition  
Los Angeles, CA—26 April 1994

**William R. Halford** has been appointed senior vice president of leasing and marketing of the Western division for PM Realty Group, a Newport Beach real estate firm. Initially, his focus will be on overseeing marketing of Irvine Co.'s Orange County office portfolio. Before joining PM Realty, Halford was a vice president of Transpacific Development Co. in charge of Northern California operations.



### GARY ALVORD

*NEW YORK BEACON*  
21 June 1995

#### Death Row Veterans Third Decade As Condemned Men.

By Jackie Hallifax

If Joseph "Crazy Joe" Spaziano dies in Florida's electric chair this

month, the state will have a new record on the time between a murder and an execution: 22 years.

But Spaziano, condemned for the August 1973 murder-mutilation of Laura Lynn Harberts, an Orlando nurse, isn't the dean of Florida's death row.

That distinction goes to **Gary Alvord**, who strangled a Tampa woman, her daughter and granddaughter 22 years ago this week....

From the time it resumed capital punishment in May 1979, Florida has executed 33 killers who have gone to the electric chair, on average, nearly 11 years after their victims died.

The longest gap between crime and punishment has been 15 years....

Alvord, 49, strangled 36-year-old Ann Herrmann; her 53-year-old mother, Georgia Tully; and Herrmann's 18-year-old daughter, Lynn Herrmann, on June 17, 1973.

At the time, he was an escapee from a Michigan mental hospital, where he was committed after being found not guilty by reason of insanity for the 1967 kidnapping and rape of a 10-year-old girl.

Alvord was first committed to a psychiatric hospital when he was 12. Despite his repeated diagnoses as a chronic paranoid schizophrenic, Alvord refused even to consider an insanity defense during his Tampa murder trial.

However, in 1984 he was judged mentally incompetent to be executed and transferred to Florida State Hospital, where he stayed for three years before returning to death row.

He has an appeal pending in state circuit court....

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### JERRY ALFORD

*GANNETT NEWS SERVICE*  
1 August 1995

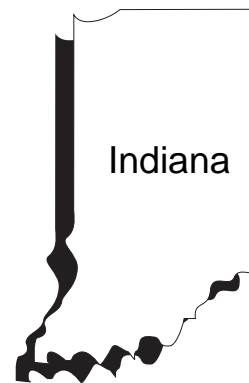
By Keith Goldschmidt

TALLAHASSEE —Sen. Robert

Harden is wanted on three counts of passing worthless checks in Tallahassee, but the Okaloosa County Sheriff's Department can't find him to serve him with a summons.

"At this point we have not been able to," Undersheriff **Jerry Alford** said Tuesday. "We've been to his office, and they claim they haven't seen him. We checked his home, and nobody's there."

The summons, from the Leon County state attorney's office, was issued last week, and Alford said his department has been looking for several days....



### HARRY ALFORD

*INDIANAPOLIS RECORDER*  
Indianapolis, IN—5 February 1994

#### Creating economic visions

By Shonda McClain

Economics of Boston University Professor Dr. Glenn Loury will be the featured speaker at the Fifth Annual Joseph Taylor Symposium. The symposium will consist of workshops and lectures centered on creating economic opportunities. It will be held Feb. 8, beginning at 9:30 a.m., at the University Place Conference Center, 850 W. Michigan St., on the campus of Indiana University-Purdue University at Indianapolis. The theme of this year's event will be "Creating Economic Opportunities: Business and

Economic Development in Multi-Cultural Indianapolis.”...

The symposium’s presiding panel will be comprised of **Harry Alford**, Hoosier Minority Chamber of Commerce [among others]....

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**JEFFREY ALFORD**

*NEWSBYTES NEWS NETWORK*  
28 January 1993

**Journalists Get Electronic Link To Experts**

MUNCIE, INDIANA—Journalists now have a high tech tool to help them find an expert for the story they are working on.

Called Profnet, the network is operated by the State University of New York at Stony Brook, and presently links 117 universities and research centers throughout the country, including MIT, Cal Tech, Stanford, Cornell, the National Academy of Sciences, and the National Research Council. The system went on-line in December.

“Profnet is a one-of-a-kind computer network designed to match university experts with writers and editors seeking information sources,” says Ball State University’s **Jeffrey Alford**, executive director for university communications and publications. Ball State is one of three Indiana institutions on the network. The others are the Argonne National Laboratory, Stanford University, and Vanderbilt University.

When an expert source is needed, the journalist sends a query to Profnet, with the message being transmitted simultaneously via electronic mail to the participating institutions. If an expert is available, the information is transmitted back to the journalist. Alford said that in the first month of operation the university has already

provided sources for two stories in major national publications....

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**WAYNE R. ALFORD**

*LOS ANGELES TIMES*  
Los Angeles Times Magazine  
Los Angeles, CA—5 February 1995

**Freeh Reign**

By Ronald J. Ostrow

Hands plunged deep into the pants pockets of his blue suit, Louis J. Freeh stands before the agents and support staff of the Indianapolis field office of the FBI, laying out his vision of their future. His accent is thick—”the law” rhymes with “the drawer”—and with his flat “Just the facts, ma’am” tone, he sounds astonishingly like Joe Friday of TV’s “Dragnet,” if Sgt. Friday had hailed from New Jersey.

Standing 5-foot-8, Freeh does not tower over the lectern like **Wayne R. Alford**, the special agent in charge of the Indianapolis office, who introduced him this day and exhorted his ranks to give the new director “a great big Hoosier welcome.”...



**JOEL B. ALVORD**

*REUTERS, LTD.*  
16 April 1996

**Fleet says Chairman Alvord to step down**

BOSTON (Reuter)—Fleet Financial Group Inc. said Tuesday that Chairman **Joel Alvord** plans to step down at the end of the year.

Alvord would continue as chairman of the executive committee of the board of directors, the company said.

It is expected that Terrence Murray, the company’s president and chief executive officer, would succeed Alvord, said Fleet spokesman James Mahoney.

“In December, I will step down as chairman and transition to the role of chairman of the executive committee of the board of directors,” Alvord said. “At that time, I will have completed 34 years in the business, of which 19 will have been in the role of president or chairman.”

Alvord also said the company’s merger with Shawmut, announced last year, is proceeding on schedule.

“The merger integration with Shawmut is proceeding according to schedule and will be virtually complete around mid-year. It is now time for me as chairman to move away from the operations of the company and focus more on governance and strategic aspects of our business,” Alvord said....

In another article:

*LOS ANGELES TIMES*  
23 July 1995

**In Game of ‘I Win, You Lose,’ CEOs Are Getting Richer Faster Than Workers Can Say ‘Logic’**

By Graef Crystal, editor of the Crystal Report and adjunct professor of organizational behavior and industrial relations at UC Berkeley’s Haas School of Business

Is the market for chief executive pay: a) becoming more and more rational or b) as crazy as ever?

If you chose “b,” go to the front of the class.

I have just analyzed the 1994 pay packages of the CEOs of 424 of the nation’s largest companies....

... [The] table below shows the 15 most striking combinations of low

performance—in terms of total shareholder return during the CEO’s tenure—and high pay. When it comes to paying for performance, Crystal says, “the boards of these companies must all be considered finalists for an ‘unclear-on-the-concept’ award.”...

**Low Performance, High Pay**

[On a list of 15]

Shawmut National Corp.

**Joel B. Alford**

|                             |       |
|-----------------------------|-------|
| Actual pay in millions      | \$3.2 |
| Competitive pay in millions | \$2.2 |
| Deviation                   | 43    |

Note: “Actual pay” is the sum of base salary, annual bonus, restricted stock grants, performance share and unit payouts, estimated present value at grant of stock options and miscellaneous compensation. “Competitive pay” is the amount an average-paying company would offer to the CEO if it were to have this company’s size, performance and CEO-pay-package sensitivity. “Deviation” is the percentage by which actual pay differs from competitive pay.

In another article:

*BAY STATE BANNER*  
28 July 1994

**Local small businesses meet with bank exec.**

By Jasper P. Jones

“Small business is serious business.”

That slogan, appearing on blue and white lapel stickers distributed to 10,000 Shawmut Bank employees as part of the bank’s Small Business Week activities last week, proclaimed a driving philosophy of the New England-based bank.

The purpose of the five-day period was to underscore Shawmut’s commitment

to small companies, and urban small businesses in particular. That commitment was demonstrated at the very top, when Shawmut National Corp. chairman and Chief Executive Officer **Joel B. Alford** spent a day meeting with small business customers in Roxbury and Mattapan.

“Each time that I have the opportunity to sit down with urban small business owners I’m reminded of some important facts,” said Alford. “First, there are literally hundreds of innovative, growing and profitable companies in our cities. And secondly, small businesses are, indeed, contributing to this region’s economy.”

Alford began the day with a meeting at Bob the Chef’s restaurant and catering service on Columbus Avenue in Roxbury. The bank’s CEO was joined by Shawmut Senior Vice President William Fuller, who heads urban business banking. Following their meeting with owner Darryl Settles, Alford and Fuller traveled to Be Our Guest Inc., a party equipment and linen rental service located on Blue Hill Avenue in Roxbury, where they met with coowners Stephen Lizio and Albert Lovata....

Following his meetings, Alford hosted 170 urban small business customers at an evening reception in the South End. “We’re going to continue to make small businesses in this city a priority,” he said....

**CALIFORNIA CONNECTIONS?**

Getting ready for our 1997 meeting in California is a project in the works NOW! If anyone has “Alford” connections to California, please make sure AAFA has this information. If you have contacts there who are not AAFA members but are doing research, please put us in touch with them.

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**WILLIAM ALFORD**

*REUTERS, LTD.*  
12 May 1996

**U.S. draws line with China over copyright piracy**

By Donna Smith

WASHINGTON (Reuter)—After rejecting trade sanctions in a dispute with China over nuclear technology transfers, the White House is drawing the line over copyright piracy that analysts estimate will cost U. S. industries more than \$2 billion this year.

A move this week to hit \$2 billion of Chinese imports with punitive 100 percent tariffs could spark a retaliatory trade war, analysts say. U.S. officials say that dozens of factories in China are churning out millions of counterfeit music and computer software compact discs and videos, much of which is exported to third countries. U.S. industries estimate their losses this year to Chinese pirates at about \$2.3 billion....

But some U.S. trade analysts believe sanctions may be inevitable. “We’ve made a lot of noise in many areas and then not had much follow through,” said **William Alford**, director of east Asian studies at Harvard Law School.

He noted the administration’s decision last week not to invoke trade sanctions against China for selling nuclear technology to Pakistan. Alford and other analysts also point to a 1994 decision by President Clinton to de-link human rights from granting Most Favored Nation (MFN) trading privileges to China after candidate Clinton connected the two as a 1992 campaign issue.

“I think it sent Beijing a signal that we were not serious about our threats,” Alford said.... ❖

## Gil Alford's About Alford's, Part 2

By Gilbert K. Alford, AAFA #19 and Sr. Associate for Alford Family Systems, (formerly AAFA Executive Director)

Gil Alford published *About Alford's* from November 1982 until the Fall of 1991. See page 60 of the Spring 1996 issue for Part 1 of this series.

**W**hen I began this series in the Spring issue, I thought I knew what I would cover in the Summer issue, but something just came up to modify that. Just about every day I wake up with a plan for the work I'll do that day. First there is the early morning e-mail, then there is the USPS mail delivery to the house, and about that time either Mary or I will pick up the mail from the AAFA mail box. Somedays there are no phone calls—but other days there may be several, and it's possible to spend several hours on the phone any day. (I've told you before I'm long-winded, so don't call me long distance unless you have lots of money.) Then all through the day more e-mail messages arrive via Compuserve—when I have time to check. Almost all of the contacts from these communications result in some work—some amount to several days of work. It is rare when one of the communications does not change the plans I started the day with—and I get further and further behind.

Today I received an e-mail that changed my direction, but I do want to tie it in with what I originally planned to say in this segment. JoLynn Alford Long, AAFA #718, who many of you met at our meeting in Decatur, has been digging deep looking for information about her Ephriam D. Alford of Greene County, Mississippi and Mobile County, Alabama. She recently found a small clue suggesting the family included a fellow named Vardiman Alford, and she had found a person by that name in South Carolina.

Today the message I received from JoLynn reinforced the Vardiman in South Carolina possibility. I checked our paltry collection of South Carolina data and found such a person, with slightly different spellings, in the 1830 and 1840 South Carolina census. Checking a file that is supposed to include all the Alford household heads from 1790-1860, I could find no other listings for such a person.

The name Vardiman reminded me that about ten years ago Mr. L.E. "Lewis Emerson" Alford of Tampa, Florida gave me, or us, all his Alford files—correspondence and information. That reminded me that I needed to start sharing that correspondence, and some of the data, with you. I'll soon start sending Pam material from his file to publish in an "L.E. Alford" series.

In going through that file I did find two places that mentioned Vardiman, and I have sent copies of that on to JoLynn and to Lynn Shelley (AAFA Senior Associate for Research & VP). I won't go into that here.

Before going on I'll take a second here to share with you the folks that made up the "Alf Directory" in my old "About Alford's #2 1st Quarter 1983" (10 pages) At this time it was still free, but I was getting smart and did not say it was free on the front page. I announced that the next issue would be about twice the size of #2. Here are the folks I'd heard from by early 1983:

Mr. Weston Adams, AAFA #035. He was our first AAFA VP and the one who suggested adapting an Alford emblem and AAFA logo. Shortly after hearing from him I learned that he was appointed by President Reagan to be the U.S. Ambassador to Malawi. By the time of our 1990 meeting in Raleigh, NC he was back in the states and was present for that meeting. I've not heard from him for awhile and

suspect he is now an inactive member.

Miss Anne E. Alford, AAFA #033. She is now Anne Alford Flippen. She provided a lot of information on my branch of the family in the early days. Marriage and motherhood does seem to change things. She is the daughter of Dr. C.D. "Bo" Alford, M.D., AAFA #072 of Hammond, LA. Folks who were at the reception in Mississippi in 1991 probably met her.

Miss Frances Alford, AAFA #085. Frances, who runs a framing business in Atlanta and was present for part of our first meeting in Atlanta. She has provided me a wealth of information over the years and is still active with AAFA. I think she is threatening to retire so she can spend more time on her genealogy.

Mr. Hayden Alford. He died before the association was formed. He was kin to Frances (above) and he too supplied a lot of information—much of it I understand came to him from Frances. I hope to tell you more about him in a later issue.

Dr. John A. Alford, PhD. He too died before the association was formed. He provided me with some information on his branch of the family—data that has not come from anyone since.

Mrs. Lewis O. (Tressie) Bowman, AAFA #039. I mentioned her in the last issue and by all rights she should have been listed in my first issue. Of course she is now deceased, and she was the first person to be inducted into the Alford Hall of Fame. Fortunately that was accomplished before her death.

Mrs. James (Betty A.) Dietz, AAFA #007. Still active.

Mrs. Wilburn (Thelma) Headrick. She too died before the association was

formed, but she was most helpful in the early days of my work.

Mrs. Steven P. (Judy) Hogan. Lost touch but she will surface again in a future segment.

Mrs. Richard (Susan M.) Laubengayer, AAFA #647. She is still active—helps with the census project and other research. Hopefully she will make it to the meeting in Springfield since she is “from Missouri.”

Mrs. John (Janet E.) Markley. There was never much exchange. She was from the Michael Alford who came to Pennsylvania in the late 1700's from Ireland. We do have members from that branch.

Miss Hazel Rea, AAFA #060. Hazel is still active and helped greatly in the initial collection of data on the descendants of John Alford born about 1787 in North Carolina—some of whose descendants came to Dallas County, Missouri. If she is up to it maybe we will be able to meet her in person in Springfield.

Mrs. H.R. (Haidee Alford) Reeves, AAFA #210. Haidee was one of my earliest contacts and helpers. Many of you will remember the late Eulon Alford AAFA #213—well, Haidee is his older sister. Health has prevented her from attending a meeting, but son Paul Reeves AAFA #066 has met with us once and Eulon made several meetings. I have had the pleasure of meeting Haidee and her sister Helen Alford Bankston AAFA #348 in Haidee's home in Louisiana.

Mrs. Walter (Peggy Alford) Schuster, AAFA #666. Peggy is still active—she submitted “Volentine Smith's Letter Home, 1863” on p. 18 of this issue. Peggy and her husband undertook a complete survey of their local cemetery and then published the results. Part of that will later appear in the quarterly as Texas cemetery data.

Miss Margaret B. Scoggins. Although she is not an AAFA member, we still correspond from time to time. She has a cousin who is more into the Alford family than she is and she depends on him to feed us information. We will be emphasizing her branch of the family as we move towards our meeting in Kentucky in 1998.

Mrs. Roy S. (Rose Alford) Shelton, AAFA #192. Those who attended the 1989 meeting in Houston probably met Rose, husband Steve and their new baby. Rose is still helping with her family, and we still need to do work to make a connection for the earlier family. Appears to be another South Carolina problem.

Mrs. Alice A. Skillen, AAFA #015. Alice is still active and we have made much progress on her early Alford family since first hearing from her. Hopefully when we make it to California next year she will still be with us and able to make it to the meeting. We have discovered a lot of her cousins whom she has never met.

In a later issue I'll come back and deal more with some of the above listed folks and the content of my AA #2, but now I want to go back to a fellow I mentioned in the last issue as being in the first directory. The entry then was just “Mr. L.E. Alford, deceased (Tampa FL).” I mentioned him above.

As I told you in the last issue, in my early days of hunting “dead Alford family” I was writing to anybody and everybody who I thought might help. Someone had given me Mr. L.E. Alford's name, so he got one of my form letters and a pedigree form to complete. I want to share some of this with you. It shows what makes this such a great job—what makes “Alford family” such great folks—and provides you with a view of some of the basic foundations of the Alford Association. Without folks like these

it would never have come about. His response follows below. My comments will be in [ ] for the remainder of this article.



L E ALFORD  
CERTIFIED PUBLIC  
ACCOUNTANT - Retired  
2536 West Curtis  
Tampa, Fla 33614  
September 21, 1982

Mr. Gilbert K. Alford, Jr.  
1403 Kingsford Drive  
Florissant, Missouri 63031

Dear Mr. Alford:

Imagine what a surprise it was to receive a letter from a Gilbert Alford when I have a younger brother (age 75 this month) Gilbert Alford living in Horry County (my native home) S.C. Anyway I was glad to get your letter.

Since 1966 I have been trying to locate the date of birth and where born of my Great Great Grandfather Arthur Alford, Sr. and his wife Clarky.

I try to answer all requests for data pertaining to the Alford or Watts (my mothers side) line at no charge. Nor do I plan to ever charge anyone. When I can supply desired information that is reward enough to me.

I hope you have issue #5 published July 1976, of the Alford Family Bulletin which contains an article by the late Mr. Hugh Edwin Alford of Pike County, Miss. giving the origin of the Alford name and other Alford data. If you do not have it I'll be glad to send you photocopies (poor copies) of the article. [Readers will find Hugh Edwin Alford's entire work published in installments in five issues of this quarterly, September 1991 through September 1992.] I am sorry that

because of poor health she (Mrs. Bowman) ceased publication of the Bulletin.

The first data I have on Arthur Alford, Sr. is a deed recorded in the Horry County, S.C. Courthouse, on June 3, 1803 for 424 acres, furniture, horses, cattle, hogs and negroes. I have a hand written copy of his will.

I am sending you a manuscript listing the direct descendants of Arthur Alford, Sr. through my generation. Included are other data of interest to other Alfords. [This data is being omitted here as his "complete" genealogy will be provided later.]

I was born December 8, 1900 on a farm in Horry County S.C. Conway is the county seat and Myrtle Beach in Horry County is a popular summer resort. Had my first stroke in June 1974. I walk with a cane.

I enjoyed your letter very much and hope this will be the beginning of a pleasant correspondence.

Sincerely yours,  
Lewis Emerson Alford

P.S. When I retired I had on hand quite a lot of audit report letterheads, which I am using on genealogical correspondence. L.E.A.

[I want to skip over almost 18 months and share another of Mr. L.E. Alford's letters with you. Later I'll cover some of those between the one above and the one below, and some that came after the one below.]



L E ALFORD [etc.]  
January 23, 1984

Mr. Gilbert K. Alford, Jr. [etc.]

Dear Sir:

Based on our correspondence, you seem to have several of the natural

qualities of an Alford. I must have close to one hundred (100) close relatives, but I do not know a one of them that is sincerely interested in genealogy. So, after reviewing my kin, as well as others, it seems that you are the one who has already started in the genealogical business and I wish to make you an offer of a gift if you are in a position to accept.

I have a copy of a hand written will of my great, great grandfather and the contents of my great grandfather's estate.

Also, I have correspondence in my files of those I have served and many that I have not served (probably 2 or 3 dozen or more). There are a dozen copies of the Alford Family Bulletin which is devoted entirely to the surname Alford. It is published by Mrs. Lewis O. Bowman, Sr., 4400 East West Highway #1121, Bethesda, Maryland 20014, and is the best source of data I have yet found on the Alford surname.

I also have approximately 100 or more copies of deeds recorded in Horry County, South Carolina from 1800 to after 1900. These were furnished to me by my niece, Mrs. Gladys Allen. Included are printed copies of the 1790 census on the following states: North Carolina, South Carolina, Connecticut, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, and Vermont.

I possess one copy of the magazine The American Genealogy from Ae to All which includes soldiers and sailors of the American Revolution, immigrants to America before 1750 and other data.

The aforementioned materials are too bulky to mail, so if you are interested enough to make a trip to Tampa I will gladly present them to you as a gift.

I am 83 years old and had my first stroke in 1974. I was in the hospital twice in 1982 and again in October of 1983. I have had to use a walker for two or more years now as

my equilibrium has gotten much worse recently.

Although my wife and I are not in good health, we do have a good housekeeper, so you could arrange to spend the night with us while we get all this data together.

Please let me know if this offer interests you and with best wishes I am

Yours truly,  
s/ L.E. Alford initialed by nsl  
L.E. ALFORD

[We never did get to Tampa to pick up his material but we did make arrangements and I now have much of it. Much of it you will find published in the quarterly over the next several years. Now I want to share with you a few of the letters I found in his file when they were received over ten years ago.]



1831 Chukar Drive  
West Richland, WA 99352  
25 February 1983

L.E. Alford [etc.]

Dear Mrs. or Mr. Alford,

I found your name in the "Genealogical Helper," and I was hoping you might be able to give me a little help in researching the ALFORD family name. I have included my pedigree chart so you can see where my family ties in.

The oldest ancestor I have information on is Thomas Alford, born 13 May 1802 in Wythe County, VA. The only thing I know about his parents is that his father died about 1805 and his mother died about 1812. There was another Thomas Alford that died in Wythe County in 1805, but according to other records,

this Thomas was born in 1725 (which would have made him about 80 when my Thomas was born) and he had another son named Thomas, born about 1770. This is all something of a puzzle. According to later census records, the father of my Thomas was born in Scotland, and his mother was born in Ireland.

I realize all this is a shot in the dark, but if any of it sounds familiar, please drop me a line. Do you know anything about an "Alford Family History" by Gallagher? [Jewell Alford Gallagher AAFA #003 was active in our early work and up until her supposed death. Her "family history" has served as the basis for much AAFA work.]

I hope to hear from you soon. Thanks for your help.

Sincerely,  
Alicia Roundy Lee



Mrs. Alicia Roundy Lee [etc.]  
April 29, 1983

Dear Mrs. Lee:

Please pardon the long delay in replying to your letter of Feb. 25, 1983. My age is 82 and during the past eight years after two cataract operations and several strokes, my vision is limited and I can barely walk with a cane. Then my wife spent almost all of February in the hospital having the second removal of cancer in 35 years. My two sisters came from North and South Carolina to take care of me while looking for a housekeeper. In returning home the sisters spent the night in South Carolina. The next morning the sister from South Carolina found the North Carolina sister sitting in a chair dead. Also, my 76 year old brother is in the hospital with 80% of his stomach removed.

In the Alford Family Bulletin are data on the Thomas Alford's. This Bulletin was published by Mrs. Lewis O. Bowman. 4400 East, West Highway #1121 Bethesda. Maryland 20014. Due to her poor health, Mrs. Bowman retired a year or so ago.

[Beginning on the next page and continuing through most of page 14 he provided data as extracted from Mrs. Bowman's bulletin. This was not a photo copy but rather typed data. It is obvious because what I have is a carbon (brown) copy of the original. I'm omitting the data as much of it has already been published in this quarterly or will be in the future. If any reader desires a copy it is theirs for the asking. He closed out page 14 with the following:]

I also reviewed the index to the 1790 U.S. Census of the Eleven states of the Atlantic Seaboard, they are as follows, North Carolina, Maine, Mass., New Ham., South Carolina, Maryland, Vermont, New York, Conn., R. I. , and Pa., I found no record of any Thomas Alford's in the above states.

The data in this letter was written verbatim from the bulletin, some pages did not show the states.

When I retired I had quite a supply of audit report stationery which I am trying to use on genealogy letters.

It is hoped the data contained herein will be, of some benefit to you.

Sincerely yours,  
Lewis Emerson Alford



1831 Chukar Drive  
West Richland, WA 99352  
7 May 1983

Dear Mr. Alford,

Thank you for your prompt

response to my inquiry about the Alford family. With as much illness as you've experienced in the past couple of months, I am amazed that you were able to answer at all.

From my limited viewpoint, I had imagined that the name THOMAS ALFORD was not a particularly common one. However, it appears from the information you sent that there are many men of that name. There were a few bits of information that I'll have to follow up on in order to find the father of my Thomas. The tip that a Thomas Alford filed a will in Montgomery County, VA in 1805 is the most promising. I appreciate ALL the information you sent. Perhaps some of the rest will tie in as the search continues. It was most kind of you to take the trouble to copy so many different references.

Thank you for including the name and address of Mrs. Lewis O. Bowman of Maryland. Is the Alford Family Bulletin published by someone else now, or has it been discontinued since Mrs. Bowman retired? I will be sure to write to her in hopes of gleaning yet one more clue on the Alford line.

I am curious to know how your Alford line goes—can I call you cousin? Thank you again for all your help. I hope to hear from you again.

Sincerely yours,  
Alicia Roundy Lee



L E ALFORD [etc.]  
July 5, 1983

Mrs. Alicia Roundy Lee [etc.]

Dear Mrs. Lee:

A lovelier letter of appreciation than yours of May 7, 1983 has yet to be written. It really brightened my day.



I do not know if Mrs. Bowman is still in business or if she is still living or what became of the publication. Please let me know if I can be of further service to you.

Sincerely yours,  
Lewis Emerson Alford



1831 Chukar Drive  
West Richland, Wa 99352  
19 July 1983

Mr. L.E. Alford [etc.]

Dear Mr. Alford,

Thank you so much for writing to let me know about Mrs. Bowman.

Coincidentally her name appeared in the last issue of the Genealogical Helper, and I wrote her, asking to be put on her mailing list. She kindly responded by informing me that she had indeed quit the publication due to ill health. I believe her husband died recently also. She sent me the name of Gilbert K. Alford, Jr. of 1403 Kingsford Drive; Florissant, MO 63031, who has taken up the Newsletter. His name also appeared in an ad in the last issue of the Helper. He charges \$10 for a yearly subscription published quarterly.

I have written this Mr. Alford to receive the publication, but it is too soon to hear back.

I hope this information is as welcome to you as it is to me. It's always heartening to hear that others are interested in the family tree. Thank you for all your help.

Sincerely yours,

s/Alicia Roundy Lee  
(Mrs.) Alicia Roundy Lee

[As most of you probably know Mrs. Bowman, and her daughter, the late Lucy Shull Stevens, AAFA #094, who many members met at the Raleigh meeting, provided us most of the Alford information they had. We did later hear from Alicia Roundy Lee and we will cover her "entrance" into the system in a later issue. If you have not figured it out she is now Mrs. Alicia Roundy Houston, AAFA #001, and the leader of our census project, a member of the AAFA board of directors, former AAFA genealogist, a fantastic person and one of my dearest friends. All those who know her love her.] ❖

*(Indiana Brothers, cont. from p. 44)*

### Great-Great-Grandparents

16. Thomas Alford born \_\_\_ 1736 CA, Virginia ??, married \_\_\_ 1760 CA, in Virginia, Elizabeth Field?. Thomas died Nov \_\_\_ 1806 CA, Wythe County, Virginia. Their children have traditionally been shown as born in Wythe County. That county was not formed until 1789/90. It came from Montgomery 1777, it from Fincastle 1772. it from Botetourt 1770 and it from Augusta which was created 1738/45. [Note that the Jewell Gallagher sketch listed him only as a possible son of John Alford. She lacked proof also.]

17. Elizabeth Field? born \_\_\_ 1745, died \_\_\_ 1805/6, Wythe County, Virginia. [Field is not certain as the surname. Need proof or correct data. The date of 1806/6 may be the date she was no longer listed in tax lists. She was probably living with son Moses Alford.]

### 3rd Great-Grandparents

32. John Alford born \_\_\_ 1696 Est, Maryland, Virginia, Pennsylvania, England ?, married Mary \_\_\_\_\_. John died \_\_\_ 1748, Frederick County, Virginia. [The assignment of the children to this family is based upon John's will; however, the identification of the spouses and families of the children is very tentative. His will dated Nov 13 1748 and it was probated Jan 4 1748.] Nothing is really KNOWN about John's birth date or place. The late Mrs. Tressie Bowman reported that he was the son of JOHN ALFORD and Elizabeth. That would be the John who died 1702 in Dorchester County, Maryland. His will dated October 20, 1702 was probated November 11, 1702 and is filed in Box 1, Folder 6 Dorchester/Carolina Co., MD wills, 1702. Other children of John and Elizabeth Alford were Matthais and Joseph. John and

Matthias were the executor's of the older John Alford's will. Son John is, according to Mrs. Bowman, supposed to have married Mary Dawson 1717 in Dorchester County, MD. Matthias married Celeninor Godward and Joseph married 1735 Margaret Richardson. If and when any credibility can be proven to this connection the data will be take out of note form and the Alfords entered as subjects in the Genealogy. [There is a difference of opinion on the order of birth of the children in this family—especially John Alford, who is argued as being both the first and last child.]

33. Mary \_\_\_\_\_ died after Apr 6 1758, probably Frederick County, Virginia. Mary is named in a deed on that date, renting land in Frederick County. It was thought at one time she was Mary DAWSON, but that Mary married an EDWARD ALFORD April 23 1715 in St. Peter's Parish, Talbot County, MD. ❖

## Lawrence County, Tennessee, Alford's: Part 1

Bobby Alford, AAFA #669, is the author of *The Alford Family*, a genealogy of Alford's of Lawrence County, TN. Bobby has given AAFA permission to reprint parts of his book in *AAFA ACTION*, which we will begin doing in this issue.

If you would like to own a copy of the book, you can order it for \$10 + \$1 postage from:

Bobby Alford  
1196 Hickory Street  
Lawrenceburg, TN 38464  
615/762-4397

Page numbering in the printed version is different from the electronic version, so page numbers will not be indicated here.

### Book Foreword

I gathered the material in this book because I felt the "Alford Family" had made a valuable contribution to the development of Lawrenceburg and Lawrence County.

There has been an "Alford" living in Lawrence County, Tennessee since before the county was founded in 1818. They were simple, religious, community spirited people who lived in an unspectacular manner, but helped to build a fine community out of a wilderness.

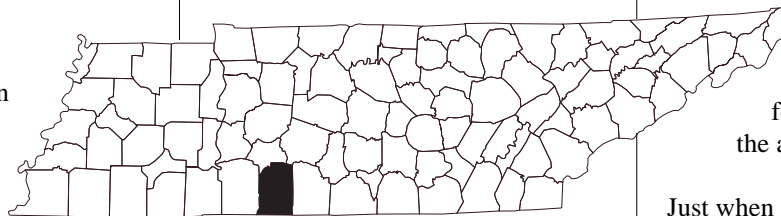
Frankly, I am quite proud of them.

### Early Chapters

*The early chapters of the book, which we will not reprint, deal with Alford history prior to the arrival of the Alford's in Tennessee. Chapter and subhead titles are:*

*The First Alford's in the New World  
Richard Alford of Jamestown,  
Virginia  
The Line from Richard Alford to  
North Carolina  
Lodwick, Goodrich & Julius Alford;  
Great, Great Grandsons of Richard  
Alford  
Lodwick Alford, Revolutionary War  
Soldier  
The Children of Lodwick Alford  
Lodwick Alford's Will  
Isaac, son of Julius Alford, and  
Mary, daughter of Lodwick  
Alford  
The Williams and Clifton Families  
The Migration from North Carolina to  
Tennessee*

*We begin now with the text from the book.*



### Bailey Alford & Hickman Williams Come to Lawrence County

Among those who came through one of the gaps in the Appalachian Mountains to Tennessee during the first two decades of the 19th Century was Hickman Williams, a middle aged former Revolutionary War soldier, and his wife Winna Clifton Williams. Also in Hickman's wagon were their children; Thomas, James, Willa, Dilla, Jesse, Elizabeth and Patsy. In another wagon was the brother of Winna Williams, Nathan Clifton, and his family.

In a nearby wagon was Hickman's daughter Nancy and her husband,

Bailey Alford, and their growing family. Their children included; Aley, almost a teenager, Isaac, Winney, Mahalay, Chirena and William. In yet another wagon, was Hickman's nephew, Bridges Williams, and his young wife, Temperance. These pioneers had come from the Wake, Franklin County area of North Carolina's rugged Piedmont Plateau in search of a new home and a better way of life.

These settlers were happy to find a new home in a land so much like the Piedmont where they had been born and raised. This new place had all the basic characteristics of the Piedmont with one important difference. The land was fertile and not worn out by many years of poor farming methods.

It was an ideal spot for a new home. The land had not been opened for settlement long and very few people were living in the area.

Just when these first settlers came is uncertain, but it was between 1801 and 1818. Hickman Williams is listed in the 1800 Census of North Carolina and in the 1818 list of eligible voters for the new county of Lawrence. Unfortunately, the 1810 Census of both North Carolina and Tennessee were destroyed by fire and are not available. It is believed they arrived about 1816, the year the land was first opened for settlement.

Ira Bailey Alford was the first person with the name Alford to live in Lawrence County, Tennessee. There has been an Alford living in Lawrence County since his arrival.

Shoal Creek winds its way through this beautiful country and branches several times before running into the Tennessee River northeast of Florence,

Alabama. These pioneers came to a stop on the “Simonton,” or “Middle Fork,” of Shoal Creek and began the difficult task of making a new home.

One of the neighbors on the Middle Fork of Shoal Creek was David Crockett. Crockett built an extensive grist mill operation on the creek just south of where Hickman William and Bailey Alford settled. Today, “David Crockett State Park” occupies much of the land on the Middle Fork of Shoal Creek. Bailey Alford, and the others made their home about two miles north of the back part of the park.

Bailey Alford was born in Franklin County, North Carolina on July 15, 1781. His wife, Nancy Williams was born on July 24, 1780. They were married on July 24, 1800. They came to Lawrence County, Tennessee prior to 1818.

Bailey Alford and his family developed into hearty pioneer stock, of the kind our nation was built with. They had found their home on the Middle Fork of Shoal Creek and intended to stay.

Bailey and Nancy Williams Alford had ten children, either four or five born in North Carolina and the rest after their arrival in Lawrence County. Nine of the children grew to be adults, an amazing feat in this rough country where perils lurked around every corner. Many things tended to make the life expectancy short in the early part of the 19th Century.

The early records of Lawrence County mention Bailey Alford prominently and all mention him as being a good, solid citizen of the county. He is mentioned as being a member of the jury on several occasions. For instance:

**Court Docket**  
 Tuesday, May 4, 1819:

“The following people were drawn as

Grand Jurors to wit; Alexander Miller-Foreman, Melton H. Jack Arthur, M. Alexander, Andrew Allison, Isaac W. Brown, **Bailey Alford**, Solomon Asbell, Malcom McIntyre, Sterling Lindsey, Thomas Ethridge, Spencer Pearce, John Adkisson, Joseph Tease, George Isam, Isaac Pennington, William Seaham and John Lockhart.”

Bailey Alford is listed in another account as one of the men chosen to work on the roads in Lawrence County. It was customary in those days for the court to choose the people who worked on the county roads, with everyone expected to take their turn.

**Court Docket**  
**October 1820 Term**

“The court ordered that John Simonton be appointed overseer of the Military Road from Colonel Josephus Irvine to the creek below Thomas Welch’s and that he be allowed the following hands to work, to wit; Gilbreth Simonton, Malcom McIntyre, James Williams, Robert Mason, **Bailey Alford**, John Vorous, Matthew Swan, Simon Edwards, Adam Nathaniel Mason, John Haile, Thomas Williams, George Shirley, Jr., James Helton and Jesse Kelton; and that he keep the same in good repair.”

These and other instances mentioning Bailey Alford are found in the court records from 1818–22. Bailey Alford is listed on the tax roles for 1826 and 1836, and in both of the 1820 and 1830 Census. In the 1840 Census, his wife Nancy Williams Alford, is listed as head of the household. We assume that Bailey Alford died in Lawrence County, Tennessee between 1836 and 1840. His burial site is unknown.

**The Family of Bailey & Nancy Williams Alford**

Bailey Alford, born on July 15, 1781 in Franklin County, North Carolina [FC,

NC], died after 1836 in Lawrence County, Tennessee. His wife was Nancy Williams Alford, born on July 24, 1780 in Franklin County, North Carolina and died on March 21, 1863 in Lawrence County, Tennessee [LC, TN]. They were married in North Carolina on July 24, 1800, and came to Lawrence County, Tennessee before 1818. Their children were:

**1. Aisey Alford** was born on September 20, 1802 in FC, NC and died in Galveston, Texas in 1854. His wife was Celia Williams Alford who was born in 1801 and died in 1886. They left Lawrence County in 1837 and went to Calloway County, Kentucky.

**2. Isaac W. Alford** was born on November 14, 1805 in FC, NC and died in LC, TN in 1859. His wife, Mary P. Edmiston, was born in 1812 and died in LC, TN in 1876. They were married in LC, TN on July 16, 1831. Isaac was Trustee of Lawrence County at the time of his death.

**3. Mahalay Alford** was born in FC, NC on May 5, 1807 and died after 1850. She was married to Harvey A. Alexander in LC, TN on December 9, 1829. He served with the Lawrenceburg Blues at the Battle of Monterrey in September, 1846. He died between 1850 and 1860

**4. Winney Alford** was born in FC, NC on January 11, 1810 and died on April 10, 1856 in Bloomfield, Greene County, Indiana. She married William Christopher Hicks on February 2, 1829. He was born on November 2, 1809 and died in Indiana on January 30, 1877.

**5. Chirena Isabella Alford** was born in NC on December 23, 1812 and died in May, 1860 in Worthington, Greene County, Indiana. She was married to John Andrews on February 23, 1836 in LC, TN. He was born on November

2, 1809 and died in Indiana on January 30, 1877. Winney and Chirena and their families went to Indiana between 1840-42 and settled within five miles of each other.

**6. Elizabeth Alford** was born on March 2, 1815 in FC, NC and died after 1850 in LC, TN. She married Harlow Tripp in LC, TN on October 9, 1844. He was born in 1823 and died in LC, TN after 1850.

**7. Milly Alford** was born in LC, TN in 1817 She married John Greenhaw in LC, TN on December 30, 1840.

AAFA NOTE: Bailey's daughter Milly was not the Milly who married John Greenhaw. Permelia/Emily/Milly HALFORD m. (1) John Greenhaw. After his death, she (as Emily Greenhaw) m. (2) Joseph R. Bradley on 9 Oct 1846 in Lawrence Co., TN. In 1850 she is again a widow and is enumerated with her parents, John and Mary Halford. She is listed as Emily Bradley, but her two children are listed as Halfords. As Emily Bradley, she m. (3) George W. Lowery on 30 Dec 1850, also in Lawrence Co. In 1860 she is back in her parent's household with two Lowery sons and a Bradley daughter.

**8. Thomas Jackson Alford** was born in LC, TN on January 2, 1818. He was unmarried and probably died young.

**9. Eley Harrison Alford** was born in LC, TN on December 29, 1820 and died in Marshall County, Tennessee on August 10, 1895. He married Elizabeth Jane Hannah on September 5, 1844 in LC, TN. She was born on June 3, 1824 and died on March 11, 1888. They are both buried in the Bryant Cemetery in Marshall County, Tennessee.

**10. William Madison Alford** was born on February 23, 1824 in LC, TN. He died on October 2, 1846 of wounds received at the Battle of Monterrey,

and was buried in Mexico.

## Alsey Alford & His Family

Alsey Alford was the oldest son of Ira Bailey and Nancy Williams Alford. He was born on September 20, 1802 in Franklin County, North Carolina. Alsey moved with his parents and grandparents to Lawrence County, Tennessee before 1818. Alsey Alford married Celia Williams (1801-1886) in Lawrence County about 1825. Alsey signed a petition with the majority of the Commissioners of Lawrenceburg during the controversy about the location of the county seat. Alsey is listed on the Tax Rolls in Lawrence County in 1826 and 1836.

About 1837, Alsey Alford and his growing family moved to Calloway Kentucky and purchased a boat landing on the Tennessee River near Murray, Kentucky. Alsey Alford and his wife had nine children.

In 1854, Alsey and some of his older sons left Kentucky and moved to Galveston, Texas. Galveston in 1854 was a growing gulf port of over 6,000 people, the largest city in Texas at the time. Ships from all nations were continually sailing in and out of Galveston harbor bringing settlers and hauling away raw cotton, Texas' only real money crop of note at the time. It was a rough and rowdy port with very little law and order.

It was here in Galveston, Texas that Alsey Alford and two sons, Francis Pope Alford and Marion Bridges Alford, met their death in 1854. Because of the nature of its population and its location on the Gulf of Mexico, Galveston was very vulnerable to Yellow Fever. The city had 12 major outbreaks of this disease between 1839 and 1873. The worse of these occurred in 1839 and in 1854. Yellow Fever was a virus transmitted from one person to another by mosquitoes. This was unknown until Walter Reed's experi-

ments in Cuba in the early 20th Century. Before this, people understood that the disease came in the summer and disappeared with cold weather, especially after a heavy frost. They also knew it was spread by human contact, and that if it did not kill you, immunity was gained. Galveston, of course, always produced hordes of mosquitoes, rarely experienced frost, had a constant stream of unexposed immigrants, and carried on foreign commerce with Mexico and the Caribbean where yellow fever was endemic. We do not know how Alsey and his sons died in 1854, but a good guess would be the terrible plague of Yellow Fever.

Alsey Alford's remaining adult sons: Mac, Rufus and John Rankin Alford; left Galveston in 1855 and followed the Trinity River northwest to settle in Freestone County, Texas. Alsey's widow, Celia Williams Alford, and the rest of the family joined them there in 1855.

## Children of Alsey and Celia Williams Alford

|                             |           |
|-----------------------------|-----------|
| Francis Pope Alford         | 1826-1854 |
| Benjamin Franklin Alford    | 1827-1850 |
| Marion Bridges Alford       | 1829-1854 |
| Mac Jimpsey Anderson Alford | 1830-1881 |
| Rufus Lafonzo Alford        | 1832-1897 |
| John Rankin Alford          | 1834-1928 |
| Edwin Ira Bailey Alford     | 1837-1887 |
| Female child                | 1840-1840 |
| Aaron Ransom Alford         | 1841-1928 |

## Winna Alford & William Christopher Hicks & Their Family

The information about Winna Alford and William Christopher Hicks came from three ladies: Joy Elaine Bender Eash, her mother, Lucille Ellen Fuller Bender, and aunt, Flossie Mildred Fuller Davis. They came to Lawrence-

burg on May 2, 1982 in search of their Alford/Hicks roots from Winfield and Arkansas City, Kansas.

Winna (Winnie) Alford, daughter of Bailey and Nancy Williams Alford, married William Christopher Hicks in 1829 in Lawrence County, Tennessee. They had ten children, all but two born after they moved to Bloomfield, Indiana.

The information came by word of mouth from the tenth child, Sementha Arabelle Hicks, to Flossie Mildred Fuller Davis in 1930. Mrs. Fuller [Davis?] who was in her 80's in 1982, had the foresight to write down what she heard and save it for posterity:

William Christopher Hicks was born in Tennessee. He was the son of Arthur Hicks, a Presbyterian minister who was part Cherokee Indian, and his wife, Mary Lemon. William Christopher Hicks was born on November 2, 1809 and died on January 30, 1877.

He married Winnie Alford, born in 1809, the daughter of Ira Bailey Alford and Nancy Williams Alford. They were married in Lawrenceburg, Tennessee on February 2, 1829. She died on April 10, 1856.

On the morning of their wedding day, a Sunday, they went to the village church, he walking with the young men and she with the young women, as was the custom. In the afternoon they met at the home of a friend and were secretly married because of the violent objections of her parents. That night they stayed at the home of another friend. The following morning her father and mother sent for them and met them at the gate crying. They loved their beautiful daughter dearly and had decided to accept William Hicks as a son-in-law. William Hicks was a wagon maker and later would become a Presbyterian Minister.

Their first child was christened

Jeanetta Sophia Jane Hicks. The second was Elizabeth Narcissus Adelaide. Both of these children were born in Lawrence County, Tennessee.

While the children were still small, the Hicks family moved to Bloomfield, Indiana. Winnie rode horseback and carried Jane all the way while William took charge of Elizabeth. They took along a rose bush as a prized possession and worked hard in later years to keep the bush alive.

When Semantha was about two years old, her mother, Winnie, attended a social affair which was also attended by Jane and Elizabeth and their children. Winnie was said by those who attended to be more beautiful and younger looking than her two married daughters. She had beautiful red hair and was reputed to be the most handsome woman in the entire Indiana countryside.

The next year, Winnie Alford Hicks died. She had been ill for several months with typhoid and knew she was going to die. Her daughter, Elizabeth Hicks Fuller and family moved into the Hicks home to care for her younger brothers and sisters. Elizabeth and her husband, Oliver Perry Fuller, had three children, Florence and twins, Flora and Dora. Soon thereafter, Sara Jane Jamison moved into the Hicks home as a housekeeper. Later William Christopher Hicks married her and they had eight children.

The step-mother was especially kind to her step-children as well as to her own. Four of the 18 Hicks children became teachers. They were; Elizabeth, Sarah Ann, Chirena and Louis.

William Christopher Hicks had Indian blood and once applied to the United States Government for land. However, his father was not a full blooded Cherokee and he had difficulty establishing his claim

because of poorly kept records and dropped his efforts

### Children of Winna Alford & William Christopher Hicks

- 1-Jeanetta Sophia Jane Hicks, born in Tennessee
- 2-Elizabeth Narcissus Adelaide Hicks, born in Tennessee
- 3-Nancy Emeline Hicks, born in Bloomfield, Indiana
- 4-William Harrison Hicks, born in Bloomfield
- 5-James Madison Hicks, born in Bloomfield
- 6-John Arthur Hicks, born in Bloomfield
- 7-Mary Maria Hicks, born in Bloomfield
- 8-Sarah Ann Eliza Hicks, born in Bloomfield
- 9-Chirena Isabella Hicks, born in Bloomfield
- 10-Sementha Arabelle Hicks, born in Bloomfield

### Children of William Christopher Hicks & Sara Jane Jamison

- 1-Margaret Josephine Hicks
- 2-Lauretta Alice Hicks
- 3-Thomas Porter Hicks
- 4-Oliver Morton Hicks
- 5-Louis Harvey Hicks
- 6-Nettie Hicks
- 7-Joseph Hicks (died in infancy)
- 8-Siddie May Hicks

### Chirena Alford and her husband, John Andrews

This information was taken from material compiled by Mrs. Elizabeth Duncan of Sisters, Oregon. She is a descendant of Chirena Alford and John Andrews.

Chirena Alford married John Andrews in 1836 and lived in Lawrence County, Tennessee until 1841 or 1842 when they moved to

Indiana. Chirena Isabella Alford married John Andrews on February 23, 1836. She was born on December 23, 1812 in North Carolina. John Andrews was born on June 19, 1812. They had six children.

Chirena Isabella Alford and John Andrews lived in Lawrence County until 1840 when they moved to Campbellsville in Giles County. Their son, Carson L. Andrews was born there. About 1842 they moved to Greene County, Indiana near Worthington. Both died there, Chirena in May, 1860 and John in 1864 after serving in the Civil War. They are buried in Indiana. Their eldest son, Franklin, had a daughter, Maggie Andrews, who married Bert Robison. Their son, Carson Robison, was one of the early radio entertainers. He both composed and sang his music.

Mrs. Elizabeth Duncan was a granddaughter of Chirena Alford and John Andrews. I received this information by letter from Mrs. Duncan on March 13, 1980.

### Children of Chirena Alford and John Andrews

1-Franklin Dewitt Andrews, born 1836.

Married Jane Bartley

2-Amanda J. Andrews, born 1839.

Married Bill Johnston

3-Carson L. Andrews, born 1840.

Married Mary E. Boyd

4-Mary E. Andrews, born 1842.

Married George Dixson

5-John McClure Andrews, born 1844.

Married Jane Van Arsdale

6-Melissa Andrews, born 1848.

Married Ed Bovee



*(Words from Wick, cont. from p. 1)*

For me the highlight of our reunion came during the business meeting after we had finished our "all day dinner on the ground." For years I have hoped my son would get interested in his forbears. But none of it seemed to take. I thought a gift membership in AAFA would help, but I had to nag him into renewing every year. Only in the last few years have we been able to get him up from Jacksonville to Sylvester in April for our get-together. Well believe it or not, on Sunday 21st April he was nominated, agreed to serve and was elected president of our group. I could not be more proud of him.

So I say to you folks who despair of ever getting your children interested in Alford genealogy, hang in there. Keep hounding and nagging them and eventually they will come around. In fact I was so proud of my son Kirk, he and I settled down on the piazza of Frances' home there in Sylvester after the reunion was over and smoked a ceremonial cigar. These were special Cuban cigars and I only had two smuggled in from Mexico by a dear one who shall remain nameless. It is against the law. It was a smoke and a time of peace, contentment and remembrance to be savored. —Wick ❖

## Photo Corner

### J. David Alford, DDS Janice Roseberry Alford

Sent by Harold G. Alford, AAFA #227,  
father of David Alford

At a meeting of dentists in Las Vegas, NV, on October 6, 1995, James David Alford of Magnolia, AR, was elected to a Fellowship in the College of American Dentists. David is serving his fifth year on the

Arkansas State Board of Dentistry and is President of the Board this final year of his tenure. David Was accompanied by his wife, Janice Kaye Roseberry Alford. David and Jan both received their degrees at Hendrix College at Conway, AR, with David attending the University of Tennessee Dental School at Memphis. Jan is a junior high school math teacher at Magnolia. They have three children: Brian 16, Julie 13, and Sarah 7. ❖

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