

Reflections 1994 — Second Quarter

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See *AAFA ACTION* Fall 1993, p. 30, for explanation to this series. See also the additional comments in *AAFA ACTION* Winter 1994, p. 38.

We are looking forward to hearing from many of you about the folks listed below. If you can connect anyone listed to other Alford or can add otherwise to the information we have, let us know right away.

We are beginning something with this segment that will help save time and space and still maximize the information we furnish readers. At the end of each item in this feature I'll include the family or branch code or reference if it is known—maybe I should say apparent. These are the same as those used in the lineages each quarter. The branch reference is based on an early progenitor of the family. A popular one is JUL717VA, which means JULIUS ALFORD born 1717 in Virginia. They will be enclosed in <> to make them easily seen.

We were considering discontinuing this feature because so few of you provide information on your activities 25 and 50 years ago. It is also a terrible strain on my time to prepare the information. However, because of the interest shown by several members who not only read but commented on "Reflections 1994 – First Quarter," it seems we ought to try it for a while longer. I mentioned the time required to accumulate and format the data. It is obvious from the quality of the data in the last issue (i.e. from the comments we received) that even more time should be devoted to the work! I've tried to check the following data more carefully than that in the previous issue. In some cases you will see my "editorial" comments in italics at the end of the item.

200 Years Ago — 1794

Our country was off and running in 1794. The young nation had 15 states and it is known that there were Alford in all but one of them—New Jersey had not yet had the good fortune to serve as home to one of the family. We hear now-a-days about the "sin tax" they want to put on beer and tobacco. In 1794 President George Washington had a problem with a similar situation. Congress had passed a federal excise law or tax in 1791. Farmers in western Pennsylvania took violent objection to a tax on their liquor and stills, going so far as to burn some tax collectors' houses and tarring and feathering some revenue officers. President Washington finally sent 13-15,000 militia from Virginia, Maryland, New Jersey and Pennsylvania to subdue the rebels who dispersed without bloodshed. Some of you know of this as the "Whisky Rebellion." We had Alford in Pennsylvania by this time and some of them were Irish folk—descendants of MICHAEL ALFORD born about 1770 in Ireland who married Martha MCREADY and resided in Pennsylvania.

DANIEL ALFORD, son of HENRY ALFORD and Elizabeth COLLEY was born June 8, 1794 in Hodnet, Shropshire, England.

MINERVA ALFORD, daughter of JOHN ALFORD and Prudence, was born June 19, 1794 in Tolland County, CT. She was one of eight children in the family, but we have nothing on John's parents.

PRISCILLA ALFORD married William NORRIS, Jr. who was born June 20, 1794 and died August 6, 1876 in Columbia County, NC. PRISCILLA, the daughter of JOHN B. ALFORD and Dolly CARROLL, was born in Horry County, SC June 20,

1786 and she died in Columbia County, NC August 17, 1887. Priscilla is the ancestor of Lou Floy Milligan AAFA #277 of North Carolina. Some of the data was provided by P. Susan Busby, 1061 Brookwood Circle, West Columbia SC 29169—not AAFA member. <WIL735SC> [The 101 year age of Priscilla at her death perked my attention. I verified my source documents, one of which noted the 100 year age. The source documents were from the above named persons and are not considered real evidence.—Gil]

100 Years Ago — 1894

April 1894

J.A.D. ALFORD was born April 1894 to BILL ALFORD and Lavonia in Meriwether County, Georgia. [I don't like to see folks identified with initials in this type of work. I checked our Georgia data in an effort to identify this fellow further but to no avail. I do suspect we will find him to be part of the family of ISHAM ALFORD born about 1749 in NC.—Gil]

MARY JANE ALFORD, daughter of THOMAS J. ALFORD and Frances Virginia SMITH, was born in Texas April 1894. She apparently married a William M. but we do not know his surname. [They are part of the family we had identified as JACKSON ALFORD born 1830 in Alabama. He has since been connected to the family of ARCHIBALD ALFORD and even later to ISHAM ALFORD born 1749 in North Carolina.—Gil] <ISH749NC>

MATTIE BELLE ALFORD, daughter of CHARLES M. ALFORD and Mary TONY, was born April 1894 in Texas. She married L.L. ASH and is buried in the Creek Cemetery in Houston County, TX. <JUL747NC>

HARRY HALFORD, SSN 432-14-0342, born April 5, 1894, probably in Arkansas, died May 1950.

THOMAS ALVORD, SSN 554-09-3979, born April 8, 1894, probably in California, died December 1968 in Santa Monica, CA.

JOSEPH GRADY ALFORD, SSN 250-60-3166, was born April 16, 1894 in South Carolina and he died January 26, 1976, according to the SS date in Little Rock, SC. He married Ruth MCLAURIN, who was born February 7, 1872, December 28, 1935. Joseph was the son of DANIEL J. ALFORD and Catherine EASTERLING. Part of JACOB ALFORD born 1738, Virginia family. [I find it hard to believe Joe married a lady 22 years his senior. It is even harder to believe when I check further and find she had two children after they married when she was 63 years old. Harllee in his "Kinfolks" says Joe never married. I did find Joe, with his father and family in the 1910 census data. My source for the questionable data in this record seems to be one the gremlins have absconded with. I'm still looking but in the meantime if you recognize these folks I'd like to hear from you.—Gil] <JAC738V>

GEORGE ALFORD, SSN 260-32-6775, born April 17, 1894, probably in Georgia, died October 1974 in Acworth, GA.

JAMES BERLIN ALFORD married Ruth Wilkin COLE April 18, 1894, probably in Lawrence County, Tennessee. James, the son of JAMES MADDEN ALFORD and Martha F. CHILDRESS, was born 1866 in Lawrence County and died there in 1939 where he is buried in Summertown Cemetery. Ruth was born about 1872 in Tennessee and died 1961. James was a great uncle of ROBERT B. ALFORD AAFA #207. See him below for more on the family and branch. See more about some of these folks below at April 1944.

<JUL717VA & LOD740NC>

ELEANOR ALFORD, SSN 433-78-9503, born April 19, 1894, probably in Louisiana, died October 1988 in Mer Rouge, LA.

ELZA ALFORD, SSN 402-54-2861, born April 26, 1894, probably in Kentucky, died February 1967 in Stanford, KY.

NANCY MARY ANN ALFORD, married Henry MILLER April 22, 1894 in Neshoba County, MS. The daughter of WILLIAM LACE ALFORD and Martha Jane LEE, she was born March 5, 1876, near Philadelphia in Neshoba County, and she died September 25, 1955 in Mishawaka, St. Joseph County, IN where she is buried in Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens Cemetery. Henry Miller was born about 1856 in Noxapater, Winston County, MS and died December 9, 1917 in McAlester, Pittsburg County, OK where he is buried in Tannehill Cemetery. Henry was the son of Moses S. Miller and Laura Saphronia Donald. They had nine children. <JOH816NC>

LEN ALVORD, SSN 368-05-7461, born April 25, 1894, probably in Michigan, died September 1963.

JAMES CLARENCE ALFORD married Neva DOWNING September 11, 1920 in Lane County, OR. Neva, SSN 54152-9904, was born April 28, 1894 in Oregon. She died March 30, 1989 in Salem, OR. James, the son of THOMAS E. ALFORD and Frances SINGLETARY, was born November 18, 1885 in Linn County, OR and died August 13, 1974 in Salem, Oregon. <THO802VA>

May 1894

ETHAN ALVORD, SSN 367-01-9604, born May 3, 1894, probably in Michigan, died January 1978 in Saginaw, MI.

FLORENCE ALFRED, SSN 398-12-6350, born May 9, 1894, probably in Wisconsin, died September 1967 in Oconto, WI.

CARRIE ALFORD, daughter of MOSES and SUSAN ALFORD was born May 1894 in Walton County, Florida. <JUL717VA>

RUFUS WELLINGTON ALFORD was born May 1894 in North Carolina. He was the son of NOAH ALFORD and his wife Rebecca J. <SAM812SC>

JAMES BARNEY ALFORD, married Ettie J. WARNER May 3, 1894 in Pike County, MS. The son of BARNABAS S. ALFORD and Anna Rebecca NORMAN, James was born November 29, 1870 in Pike County and he died there October 4, 1956 where he is buried in McComb. Ettie was born October 9, 1871 and died May 25, 1945. He was the grandfather of JOHN WARNER ALFORD AAFA #241, one of the leading college athletic executives in the southeastern conference [see "Alfords in the News" this issue]. He was also the grandfather of ZEB DICKEY ALFORD AAFA #295 of Houston. James was the great grandfather of Zeb's five children—all of whom he gave gift AAFA memberships. [Have you given all of your children gift memberships?] <JUL717VA>

WILLIE ALFORD, SSN 412-05-0507, born probably in Tennessee, died March 1968 in Memphis, TN.

THOMAS JACKSON ALFORD, son of JUDSON NIXON ALFORD and Ida CARGAL, was born May 7, 1894 in Claiborne Parish, LA. He died March 8, 1895 and is buried there in Smithfield Cemetery. <WIL734VA0A>

MINNIE ALFRED, SSN 446-40-3864, born May 15, 1894, probably in Oklahoma, died December 1982 in Irvine, CA.

NELLIE ALVORD, SSN 534-26-7273, born May 15, 1894, probably in Washington, died November 1966 in Aurora, OR.

NELLIE EUGENIA ALFORD, daughter of CHARLES F. ALFORD and Laura Virginia CROX, was born May 16, 1894 in Loudon County, TN. She died September 27, 1901. <JOH787NC>

PEARL IRENE ALFORD, daughter of GEORGE WELSH ALFORD and Minnie F. HOFFMAN was born May 16, 1894 in Seneca County, OH. She married Jacoby THORNTON November 3, 1909 and died January 28, 1934. <BEN619EN>

ROBERT ALFORD married Rosa E. HANEY, his second wife, May 19, 1894. Robert, the son of JOHN M. ALFORD and Lucinda CARDELL, was born December 1841 in Tennessee and he died 1916 in Dallas County, Missouri where he is buried in New Hope Cemetery. Rosa was born November 1877 in Iowa. <JOH787NC>

MILDRED ALVORD, SSN 188-01-8589, born May 20, 1894, probably in Pennsylvania, died April 1983 in State College, PA.

LOIS BELLE ALFORD married Fulton CROOK July 3, 1917 in Hinds County, MS. Fulton was born May 21, 1894. Lois, the daughter of JOHN L. ALFORD and Virginia SMITH, was born in Mississippi August 6, 1893. <ISH749NC>

LINDSEY ALFORD, SSN 426-32-0916, born May 22, 1894, probably in Mississippi, died April 1967 in Tylertown, MS.

June 1894

ALMA ALFORD, daughter of JOHN EDEN ALFORD and Anna BROCK was born June 1894 in Mississippi. she

later married (1) Clarence JOHNSON and (2) Obed S. SAWYER. <JUL717VA>

HERBERT ALFORD, son of STONEWALL ALFORD and Christene, was born June 1894 in Orleans Parish, Louisiana. They were in the 1910 census when Herbert was still with his father. In 1920 we find him living with his wife's family. He married Katherine BOURDETTE. Stonewall and his wife were born about 1862 in Louisiana but we have been unable to find him in earlier censuses.

JOHN T. ALFORD was born June 1894 in Franklin County, NC. He was the son of SIDNEY A. ALFORD and Mary or Margaret. <KIS814NC>

JESSIE ALFORD married Edgar J. MCDOUGALL June 2, 1894, probably in Pennsylvania. JESSIE was the daughter of STEWART G. ALFORD and Sarah A. MILLER.

JUDITH JANE ALFORD married Charles M. HARDIE June 3, 1894 in Jefferson Parish, LA. Judith, the daughter of JOHN ALFORD and Mary DOYLE, was born April 1867 in Jefferson Parish and she died August 11, 1942 in East Feliciana Parish, LA. Charles was born about 1861 in Madison County, IL and he died in Jefferson County January 20, 1941. She was the great grandmother of Janet BAUGH AAFA #093 of Baton Rouge, LA. <EDW820IR>

MAE ALFORD, SSN 150-20-1853, born June 3, 1894, probably in Pennsylvania, died November 1969 in McMurray, PA.

VIRGIL CARL ALFORD married Eula Belle MAYFIELD June 1916 in Rising Star, Eastland County, TX. Eula Belle, the daughter of Washington Marion MAYFIELD and his wife who was a Smith, was born June 6, 1894 in Southwest City, McDonald County, MO and she died September 6, 1962 in

Austin, Travis County, TX. Virgil, the son of JACOB LAWHORN ALFORD and Twillie Camilla GIBSON, was born October 18, 1887 in Clio, Brown County, TX and he died in Carrizo Springs, Dimmit County, TX October 24, 1973. Virgil and Eula are both buried in Rising Star Cemetery in Eastland County, TX. Virgil is the father of DAVID GASTON ALFORD AAFA #503. <JUL717VA>

WILLIAM ALFORD, SSN 426-70-1967, born June 7, 1894, probably in Mississippi, died May 1976 in Tylertown, MS.

HARLAN ALFORD, SSN 403-03-1591, son of DELANEY ALFORD and Nora A. JONES, was born June 10, 1894 in Rosine, Ohio County, Kentucky and he died October 22, 1970 in Kanawha County, West Virginia. According to Social Security data he died in Central City, Muhlenburg County, KY—or at least that was where they were mailing his SS checks. HARLAN married Ellen L. JAMES March 19, 1915 in Estle Goffs, Ohio County, Kentucky. Ellen, the daughter of Elijah T. and Eliza Alice (DECKER) JAMES, was born November 2, 1892 in Edmondson County, Kentucky and she died in Greenville, Muhlenburg County, March 22, 1967. Harlan is the grandfather of JIMMIE R. ALFORD AAFA #500 and CATHY ALFORD RUSHER AAFA #501. <WIL775VA>

PRESTON ALFORD, SSN 452-10-0790, was born June 16, 1894, probably in Texas, died February 1983 in Abilene, TX.

MANUEL ALFORD, SSN 265-30-4559, was born June 29, 1894, probably in Florida, died May 1976 in Philadelphia, PA.

50 Years Ago — 1944

This was a most critical period in World War II: April 22 The Allies

launched a major invasion force in the Pacific and landed in Netherlands New Guinea catching the Japanese off guard and were soon well established there. June 4 Advance units of the U. S. Army entered Rome, but because it was Sunday the main Allied armies held back. Meanwhile the German troops evacuated to spare "the Eternal City." June 6 D-Day Operation Overlord, the invasion of the European Continent began just after midnight with the descent of two U. S. airborne divisions (parachutes and gliders). In the early hours of the morning some 4000 invasion ships plus 600 warships and at least 10,000 planes (only one of which was shot down by the Germans) and about 176,000 Allied troops took part.

This was about mid-life for a number of our members. Although we were at war at the time the period does bring back some good memories. Franklin D. Roosevelt was President and Henry Wallace was his Vice-President. The Dow Jones average that year was 152.53. A first class postage stamp still cost only three cents. The St. Louis Cardinals won one of its many World Series.

THOMAS R. (DICK) ALFORD, AAFA #534, was in the fourth grade at Santa Rita Elementary School in San Angelo, Texas where his father, HERBERT L. ALFORD, was in an essential job with the U.S. Department of Agriculture. Dick's hobbies included building model airplanes and collecting stamps. Other activities included Cub Scouts and cutting lawns for spending money during the summers. During this period of World War II, the family collected paper, scrap metal, and cooking grease to support the war effort. Like most families of the time they kept a garden and raised chickens because of the scarcity of food during the war.
<WIL786__>

DON ALFORD, AAFA #059, began

1944 much like all his recent years. He lived with his family on a peach and cattle farm in southwest Arkansas and attended high school as a sophomore at Nashville High School, Nashville, Arkansas. He had already decided that he would attend college by whatever means possible and had been attempting through farm work, somewhat unsuccessfully, to save money for it. Thus, that fall he started a job as a live-in employee of the town's only hotel. There, he attended high school and simultaneously worked in the hotel as desk clerk, waiter, bellhop, or virtually any other job that was needed. He lived and worked there until he graduated from high school. (He went on to obtain two Bachelor of Science degrees from the University of Missouri and a Master of Science degree from George Washington University in Washington, DC. Along the way he also managed to acquire a license as a commercial pilot—a license he still holds.) <ROB760EN>

April 1944

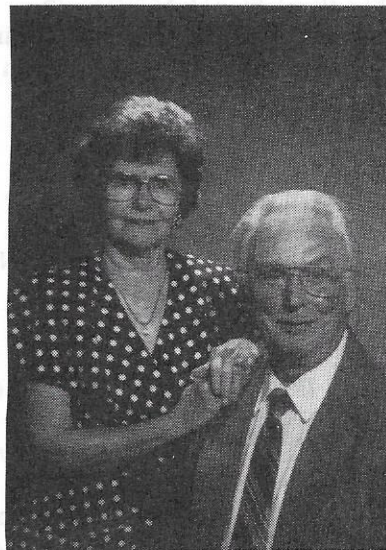
LEONA ALFORD, SSN 456-70-4492, born April 6, 1944, probably in Texas, died June 1985 in Houston, TX.

WILLIAM REGINALD ALFORD AAFA #211 was born April 7, 1944. He was the son of JOHN SIDNEY ALFORD and his wife Teresa. [See AAFA ACTION Fall 1993, p. 38 for more on John S. Alford.]

LARRY HALFORD, SSN 455-70-3123, born April 12, 1944, probably in Texas, died September 1981.

LEROY ALLFORD, SSN 179-34-8231, born April 13, 1944, probably in Pennsylvania, died June 1975.

ROBERT BURNS ALFORD AAFA #207 married his first wife, Gladys Maxine MCFADIN April 22, 1944. Gladys died in August 1986. Bob was the son of JAMES BURNS ALFORD and Hattie G. KNOWLES. One of



Robert and Maxine (Harris) Alford

Bob's older brothers, CHARLES KNOWLES ALFORD had married another Maxine a few years earlier—Maxine HARRIS. Charles died May 1, 1986—just four months before Bob lost his wife. Bob and his sister-in-law, Maxine HARRIS ALFORD were married January 3, 1987. Bob and Maxine have been present at all but one of the AAFA meetings. Bob had a son by his first marriage—ROBERT WARREN ALFORD AAFA #256. Maxine and Bob's brother had two sons, CHARLES KNOWLES ALFORD AAFA #648 and RICHARD WAYNE ALFORD AAFA #257. Bob and Maxine have signed up or given gift memberships to all the sons by all their marriages. [Have you given gift memberships to all your children?] <JUL717VA & LOD740NC>

ULYSESS ALFORD, SSN 249-72-3259, born April 17, 1944, probably in South Carolina, died January 1977 in McBee, SC.

GILBERT K. ALFORD, AAFA #019, entered the U. S. Army through the draft in April 1944. He was inducted at Camp Beauregard near Alexandria, LA, and was quickly sent to Camp Shelby, near Hattisburg, MS, where he took basic training with the 1262

Combat Engineers. Just before Gil's departure from Ferriday, Concordia Parish, LA for the service, his father, GILBERT K. ALFORD, SR. AAFA #047 moved to Gonzales, Ascension Parish, LA to work for the U. S. Agricultural Extension Service (County Agent). His mother remained in Ferriday for his departure and then joined G.K., Sr. So as Gil left for the Army, his family left to live in Gonzales, LA. Gil has given gift memberships to all his children: APRIL LOUISE ALFORD ERNST AAFA #269 and MARY ALFORD TEDDER AAFA #270 and to his parents, GILBERT K. ALFORD, SR. AAFA #047. [Have you given gift memberships to all your children and parents?] <JUL717VA>

June 1944

MARJORIE ALFORD, SSN 129-36-6424, born June 5, 1944, probably in New York, died June 1978 in Peekskill, NY.

BARBARA ANN ALFORD, daughter of WILLIAM C. ALFORD and Lean Mae BAILEY, was born June 11, 1944 in Hinds County, MS. She married Bill R. BARRON there February 27, 1981. Bill was born in Mississippi January 30, 1940. <JUL747NC>

ADDIE MILDRED ALFORD, daughter of GEORGE C. ALFORD and Addie F. ALLISTON, married Henry Terrell HUFF June 19, 1944, probably in Georgia. Addie was born in Morgan County, GA November 19, 1918. <KIN768NC>

Jean JONES WILSON AAFA #291 was born June 20, 1944. For a period of time before and after the AAFA meeting in Raleigh, NC in 1990 Jean was the AAFA North Carolina Representative. She took care of most of the meeting arrangements that year. She had to give the job up because of her health. Jean is the daughter of DOROTHY JEAN ALFORD AAFA

#286, who married Leon Clark JONES. Jean married Charles T. WILSON, Jr. and they have two children. <JUL717VA>

PAUL ALFORD, SSN 250-76-4112, born June 21, 1944, probably in South Carolina, died September 1980 in Bayonne, NJ.

Mary Etta STITES STEINKAMP AAFA #427 was born June 25, 1944 in San Bernardino, CA. She married John Steven STEINKAMP February 24, 1971 in Loma Linda, California. Mary is a descendant of BENEDICT ALFORD, the immigrant who came to Boston from England in the early 1630's. <BEN619EN>

RICHARD WAYNE ALFORD AAFA #257, son of CHARLES KNOWLES ALFORD and Maxine HARRIS, was born June 29, 1944 in Palo Pinta County, Texas. He married Ruby Carol CRAIN January 14, 1966 in Los Angeles, California. [See article above for April 22 1944 concerning his parents.] <JUL717VA & LOD740NC>

25 Years Ago — 1969

May 26 After 18 days in space, including 31 orbits around the moon, Apollo 10 splashed down in the Pacific. June 8 President Richard Nixon met with South Vietnam President Nguyen Van Thieu on the island of Midway to discuss the war in Vietnam. After the conference Nixon announced that 25,000 American troops would be withdrawn from that country. It was the first troop reduction since combat troops had been introduced there in March 1965.

DON ALFORD, AAFA #509, started the year as a District Engineering Manager for American Telephone and Telegraph Company with an office located in downtown Washington, DC. He, his wife, and three children resided in a nearby suburban community, Fairfax, Virginia. At mid-year, he was

appointed by AT&T as a District Operations Manager to form an organization and manage the implementation and ongoing operation of a computer-based network operation and control center for all US Department of Defense Command and Control Network communications, together with certain civil government systems, for all of North America. His office and the command management center were located in an underground "hardened" (i.e., invulnerable to a nuclear bomb) building in the northern Virginia countryside. From the nearby highway, the above-ground entrance building appeared to passersby as somewhat like a brick residential structure. "We performed our mission that year and that organization with its unusual facility performed its vital U.S. defense function until it was replaced by newer technology in the 1980s." (See 1944 comments above for more on Don.) <ROB760EN>

At this time in 1969 GIL ALFORD, AAFA #019, was employed as a civilian by the U.S. Army Mobility Equipment Command where he served in the Directorate of Supply as the Chief, Secondary Items Division. Also during that period he completed a course in Labor-Management Relations conducted by Southern Illinois University. (See 1944 comments above for more.) <JUL717VA>

THOMAS R. (DICK) ALFORD, AAFA #534, and Nelda celebrated the birth of their daughter, LINDA KAY ALFORD, January 22, 1969. She was the third of their three children. Her first child is due July 1994. It was during 1969 that Dick became the Plant Superintendent of the P.H. Robinson Steam Electric Station of Houston Lighting and Power Company. P.H. Robinson is 1465 mw supercritical three unit plant with a 750 mw fourth unit under construction. At the time, Dick, at the age of 36 was the youngest Plant Superintendent for the Power Company. (See 1944 comments

above for more on him.) <WIL786__>

April 1969

On April 9, 1969 Sallie CATHCART ALFORD SSN 439-76-7867, wife of JOHN LAYFAETTE ALFORD, died in Baker, Louisiana. Grandson DICK ALFORD AAFA #534 says, "My Grandmother was a wonderful lady who loved her family and never forgot her grandchildren on their birthdays or at Christmas. She and Annie ALFORD BRIGHTWELL (daughter of GEORGE WASHINGTON ALFORD) were best friends and corresponded regularly until her death. She was 89 years of age and was survived by all of her children shown in the accompany-

ing photograph taken by the writer on her 89th birthday on December 13, 1968." She was predeceased by her husband JOHN LAYFAETTE ALFORD, who died January 1, 1928." (See two previous items for more on this family.) <WIL786__>

CHARLES ALFORD, SSN 169-28-9578, born November 13, 1894, probably in Pennsylvania, died April 1969 in Denton, TX.

ELIZABETH ALFRED, SSN 295-48-2091, born March 6, 1874 in Ohio, died April 1969 in South Euclid, OH.

ELLA ALFORD, SSN 349-05-1820, born November 19, 1878, probably in

Illinois, died April 1969 in Chicago, IL.

GLENN HALFORD, SSN 218-05-2169, born March 29, 1896, probably in Maryland, died April 1969 in Baltimore, MD.

GROVER HALFORD, SSN 426-18-5501, born June 4, 1893, probably in Mississippi, died April 1969 in Meridian, MS.

HERMAN HOLFORD, SSN 091-24-8728, born August 11, 1879, probably in New York, died April 1969 in Penn Yan, NY.

HOY ALFORD, SSN 445-09-6637, born March 24, 1905, probably in



Children of John Layfaette and Sallie (Cathcart) Alford, L to R back row: ELIZABETH VIRGINIA, ELA BEATRICE, HERMAN MORRISON, THOMAS HARNEY [attended 1993 AAFA meeting], HEBERT LAYFAETTE, and JOHN LEWIS. Front row L to R: Ela's husband Albert Richard ANNISON and Sallie CATHCART Alford.

Oklahoma, died April 1969 in Marysville, CA.

ODIEVEE ALFORD, SSN 377-05-2405, born May 7, 1901, probably in Michigan, died April 1969 in Detroit, MI.

ORVILLE ALFORD, SSN 422-16-6719, born July 15, 1923, probably in Alabama, died April 1969.

WILLIE ALFORD, SSN 249-16-2520, born September 28, 1902, probably in North Carolina, died April 1969, in Raleigh, NC.

ARTIE BELL ALFORD lost her husband, William H. PRESTON, April 6, 1944. Artie, daughter of JACOB PERRY ALFORD and Catherine DAVIS, was born April 29, 1899 in Marion County, TX. She married Preston, who was born August 15, 1897, July 19, 1919 in Bowie County, TX. <WIL734VA0A>

ANGIE ALFORD died April 8, 1969. Angie, the daughter of JAMES W. ALFORD and his wife Angie, was born March 14, 1884 in Chambers County, AL. The family moved from Alabama to Rusk County, Texas about 1889. Angie married a Mr. NORVELL and they were the parents of Charles Alford NORVELL, AAFA #221. We need more information on Angie's family plus that of her father. We do have what is in the 1900 census of Rusk County, TX. These folks belong to the branch of JAMES ALFORD born about 1741 in North Carolina who move to Georgia where he died. <JAM741NC>

ANN DOUGLASS ALFORD, AAFA #417 lost her husband, Lawrence Foy HAYS, who died April 12, 1969 in Ozark, Dale County, AL. He is buried there in Claybank Cemetery. Lawrence, the son of Lawrence Edgar HAYS and Janie FULFORD, was born September 25, 1914 in Shellman, Randolph County, Georgia. He

managed the Columbian Peanut Company plant in Ozark. Ann, the daughter of COLUMBUS ALFORD, JR. and Anne Birch DOUGLASS, was born January 1, 1915 in Sylvester, Worth County, GA. She married Lawrence, who was born September 25, 1914 in Randolph County, GA, August 30, 1942 in Tift County, GA. Ann, who attended Georgia State Women's College and the University of Georgia, taught school in Georgia and Alabama. She, is a first cousin of LODWICK H. ALFORD AAFA #011, who gave her a gift membership. [Have you given your cousins gift membership?] <JAM713VA>

GRACIE ALFORD, SSN 432-28-4242, born April 26, 1894, probably in Arkansas, died October 1983 in Little Rock, AR.

JOSEPH ALVORD, SSN 572-05-8485, born September 16, 1902, probably in California, died April 1969.

JOSEPH NICKLAS ALFORD, SSN 437-20-8035, born November 14, 1881, in Louisiana, died April 9, 1969 in West Monroe, LA. He married Henrietta GILBERT January 6, 1907 in Caldwell Parish, LA. He was the son of GEORGE ALFORD and Mary Eugenia SMITH. <ISH749NC>

JOSEPH ALFORD, SSN 267-48-4845, born June 13, 1935, probably in Florida, died April 1969.

SYDNEY HOLFORD, SSN 271-03-9071, born October 10, 1909, probably in Ohio, died April 1969.

VICTOR ALFORD, SSN 344-14-3135, born August 10, 1909, probably in Illinois, died April 1969 in Washington, IN.

WILLIAM HALFORD, SSN 247-22-5055, born May 26, 1918, probably in South Carolina, died April 1969 in Barnwell, SC.

May 1969

BRIAN CLAY ALFORD, son of HENRY CLAY ALFORD and Elaine HOBBS, was born May 17, 1969 in Polk County, FL. <KIN768NC>

BARBARA ALVORD, SSN 333-24-1886, born October 8, 1930, probably in Illinois, died May 1969 in Iowa.

BARNEY ALFORD, SSN 436-07-0459, born July 7, 1904, probably in Louisiana, died May 1969 in Bogalusa, Louisiana.

CHARLES ALVORD, SSN 485-03-7439, born December 18, 1885, probably in Iowa, died May 1969 in Washington, DC.

CHARLIE ALFORD, SSN 240-07-4321, born September 29, 1904 in North Carolina died May 1969 in Raleigh, NC.

DAVID HOLFORD, SSN 333-12-1444, born May 9, 1926, probably in Illinois, died May 1969.

FLORENCE ALFORD, SSN 150-36-1973, born June 22, 1876, probably in Pennsylvania, died May 1969 in Short Hills, NJ.

FLORENCE ALFORD, SSN 401-62-4836, born July 9, 1876, probably in Kentucky, died May 1969 in Beaver Dam, KY.

FRANK ALFORD, SSN 409-07-2082, born March 4, 1912, probably in Tennessee, died May 1969 in Toledo, OH.

JAMES ALFORD, SSN 425-10-3292, born February, 8, 1905, probably in Mississippi, died May 1969 in Carthage, MS.

June 1969

BRIGET YVETTE ALFORD, daughter of PAUL DONOUGH ALFORD and Mary B. WILLIAMSON, was born June 23, 1969, Probably in Louisiana. <JUL717VA>

BERNARD HALFORD, SSN 215-30-5725, born May 14, 1934, probably in Maryland, died June 1969.

CLARA ALFORD, SSN 569-34-7516, born July 31, 1876, probably in California, died June 1969 in Long Beach, CA.

HENRY ALFORD, SSN 492-01-1845, born September 18, 1902, probably in Missouri, died June 1969 in St. Louis, MO.

LILLIAN ALFORD, SSN 296-18-2289, born June 19, 1895, probably in Ohio, died June 1969 in Bennington, IN.

MARTHA ALFORD, SSN 423-60-1067, born May 22, 1893, probably in Alabama, died June 1969 in Birmingham, AL.

MARY ALFORD, SSN 263-30-6614, born December 22, 1885, probably in Florida, died June 1969 in Bowling Green, FL.

ROBERT ALLFORD, SSN 067-09-7266, born March 22, 1906, probably in New York, died June 1969 in New York, NY.

THOMAS ALFORD, SSN 262-14-7383, born September 12, 1916, probably in Florida, died June 1969.

WALTER ALVORD, SSN 198-36-3693, born December 12, 1879, probably in Pennsylvania, died June 1969 in Prospect Park, PA.

WILLIAM ALFORD, SSN 436-05-9992, born September 7, 1891, probably in Louisiana, died June 1969 in Tylertown, MS.

Corrections to Reflections 1994— First Quarter

HANNAH ALFORD

Two members provided corrections to the segment on HANNAH ALFORD in "Reflections 1994 – First Quarter" in *AAFA ACTION* Winter 1994, page 38. C.E. Boulson AAFA #396 pointed out that the surname of JOSIAH ALFORD's wife Hannah was WESTOVER. It is something of a mystery as to how the piece was written without that information since every record AAFA has shows the surname. Dorothy C. Gaines AAFA #461 questioned some of the dates. HANNAH ALFORD was shown as born March 12, 1694 and she married Eli CASE November 13, 1791. Dorothy questioned the marriage at age 97. Levi was shown as born 1678 and he died 1795, making him 117 years old. This is a case of AAFA taking bits and pieces from several sources and combining them into one record. It is not known as of this writing if one of the sources had an incorrect date or if we are guilty of combining data on two different persons. If you have any proven valid data on any of these persons or events, please send it to AAFA at the Missouri PO Box.

GEORGE CLEM ALFORD

Wow! Did I get caught with egg on my face with him. In "Reflections 1994 – First Quarter" in *AAFA ACTION* Winter 1994, page 42, I boldly made the statement "...that is all we know about him." Lucille Mehrkam AAFA #032, AAFA genealogist for the Texas Chapter, has been working with me ever since I began stirring up Alfords. She's been at it much longer than I have, and she taught me much of what I know. She sent me a short subtle note

on which she had quickly extracted the family of George C. Alford from the 1880 and 1900 Alabama census and the comment giving the lineage. I decided I'd better check him out. As soon as I checked the computer I saw that George Clem was the ancestor of one of our contacts—but not a member. On November 5, 1987 I had a call from Louise Harvell of Camden, AL who said she was calling for Mr. George Fail Alford, Jr. She was looking for information on a William Alford born about 1826 in South Carolina. William was the grandfather of George Clem Alford, and George Clem was the grandfather of George Fail Alford, Jr. Since I knew that Lucille had been searching for her ancestor William Alford born in South Carolina about a generation before George Clem's grandfather, I gave her Lucille's name and address as well as that of Nancy Alford Dietrich AAFA #028, AAFA Librarian, who also had a South Carolina William Alford ancestor.

So you see, there were about four pages of text pertaining to this branch within arm's reach when I wrote "that's all we know about him"—not to mention that the lineage was in the computer. Just goes to prove that you have to watch me closely and check everything I say or write. It is nice to see that folks are reading "Reflections."

CHARLES TROY ALFORD

Listed on page 47 in the Winter issue, he is the same as TROY ALFORD listed on page 46—the facing page no less! This should have been apparent, but it was necessary for NANCY ALFORD DIETRICH AAFA #028, our AAFA Librarian, to bring this to our attention. ❖