

daughter's home in Phillipi, WV, and is buried with her husband in Cheshire Cemetery, Berlin Township, Delaware Co., OH.

Catherine's mother Sophia Alford was born 30 June 1811 in NY, probably Wayne Co. Sophia married William Schanck on 9 March 1829, at Jersey Hill, in Allegheny Co., NY. She died 24 May 1868 in Saline Township, Miller Co., MO, aged 56 years 10 months and 24 days and she is buried there.

Catherine's father, William Schanck was born 9 June 1811 at Freehold, Monmouth Co., NJ. He died 26 Aug 1876 and is buried with his wife in Miller Co., MO.

William and Sophia Alford Schanck had eleven children. The first four, born before coming to Ohio, were John Alford, born 21 Apr 1830, at Jersey Hill in Allegheny Co., NY; Catherine Alford, born 18 October 1832 in Allegheny Co., NY; Ellen Arintha, born 28 Nov 1834 in Allegheny Co., NY; and Maryann Conover, born 23 Oct 1838 in Crawford Co., PA.

Sophia Alford Schanck had a brother (or uncle) named William ALFORD (1808-1862) who married Catherine Conover (1811-1902), a younger sister of Nellie (Conover) Schanck, in Dec 1828, in Allegheny Co., NY. They moved with the Schancks to Crawford Co., PA, and are buried in Mt. Blair Cemetery, near Ephraim Loree and Nellie (Conover) Schanck.

I desire information about (a) when and where John and Catherine were married, (b) where they lived before moving to Wayne Co, and (c) their parents and ancestry. In addition, a question remains as to whether, when and where Sophia was baptized. If somewhere else, perhaps at the church and in the county where her parents were married.

AAFA NOTE: Wayne Co., NY was not established until 1823 when it was created using part of Ontario County. The southeast corner of Ontario Co. borders Allegheny Co. in 1820 before the establishment of Livingston Co. Almond, in Allegheny Co., is in the northeast quarter of the county (Almond township is just north of ALFRED township [no connection suggested]). The distance, as the crow flies, from Lyons, Wayne Co. and Almond is only about 45-50 miles.

In the 1810 census, before Wayne was created, we had three Alford households in Lodus, Ontario Co. (later Wayne Co.) [Lodus probably should be Sodus]. On the same page, #145, of the census is a John Alford, William Alford, Jr. and William Alford, Sr. John and William Jr. are both the same age and of an age that they could possibly be the sons of William. John at that time had a wife and son under 10. There was a Pomeroy Alford, a young man apparently living alone listed on page 239 of the census.

In the 1820 census, John Alford is in Lyons, Ontario Co., with wife, 2 sons and 2 daughters. Based on age in these two census John was probably born between 1775 and 1785—round it off to 1780 for an estimated birth. On the same page with John in 1820 is the older William Alford. They were both on page 116. On page 117 (could be the very next line) was William Alford, Jr. On page 114 is Roswell Alford. He may have been a younger brother of the possible brothers John and William Jr. The 1850 census shows Roswell born about 1794 in New York. On page 113 of the 1820 census was Pomeroy Alfred—now married and with family.

John and William are names common to all families and there are many of them in our genealogy of the northern branch of the family. Roswell is another fairly common name for the family. There were many from this

branch in NY, and some in Ontario Co. However, we have yet to find the exact family which we can confidently suggest is John's. We will probably eventually trace Allan's John's ancestry back to Litchfield Co., CT, and connect him to this northern branch. John himself may have been born in NY. We have a number of members researching this branch and new data arrives regularly. All we need now is time to process it all.

Remember that the Alfords and Alvords were cousins—immigrant brothers being Alexander Alvord and Benedict Alford. The names were sometimes interchanged, by design or more often by accident. There were quite a few Alvords in that part of NY, one who married a SchEnck, but it does not fit our need.

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Robert Ely Alford

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"Has anyone found any information on Robert Ely "Bob" Alford? He was the brother of my father, Harry Edward Alford. Robert was born May 1873 in Carroll County, MS and died 1957 in Wills Point, Van Zandt County, Texas. He married Ella White/Roseman Aug. 25, 1904 and their children were: Harry Lee; Earl; Velma who married Lee Walker; Mel Rose; Gladys born 1912; Phynie who married Walter Pedeu, had no children, and divorced; Drucilla; and Robert Ely, Jr. Some of the family later moved to Dallas."

AAFANOTE: The family was in Van Zandt County, TX for the 1920 census. The family included: Robert L. 39 MS, Ella R. 36 MS, Velma 14 MS, Earl 12 MS, Harry S. 9 MS, Gladis 7 TX, Finney (f) 5 TX, Melrose (m) 4 TX, Lenard W. eleven months TX.

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Neill Little Alford

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Donald wants to correspond with
anyone who is a descendant of Neill
Little Alford and Grace McPherson.

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Artemus Salathiel Alford

[The following letter, found in the
Alabama State Archives, was sent by
AAFA #168 David Price and trans-
cribed by Robin Sterling, AAFA
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Gentlemen and/or Ladies:

My great grandfather, ARTEMUS
SALATHIEL ALFORD, according to
family records was married to my great
grandmother, SUSAN AMANDA
COOPER, on August 30th 1855
somewhere in Alabama. I would very
much like to verify the above-men-
tioned date and determine the county,
township or city in which the marriage
took place.

Also, it appears that both families were
in Alabama when the 1850 census was
taken and I would like a mere extract
of data shown with respect to each
family. Artemus Salathiel Alford should
have been listed in the family of his
parents whose name I do not have.
Susan Amanda Cooper's parents were
Samuel Cooper, father, and Sallie
Batton (or Battle) Horn. I would hope
that the extract from the 1850 census

show brothers and sisters of Artemus
Alford and Susan Cooper. I suppose
that, as in regards to the Tennessee
census, the census record will show
only brothers and sisters who were still
living with their parents.

I will be most grateful for the above-
mentioned data.

Very truly yours,
David Price

AAFA NOTE: Dave Price is AAFA
#168 and he has been active in our
Alford work just about as long as
anyone alive today. He has been most
helpful to AAFA and folks across the
country seeking information about
Alfords. Dave now shows that the
marriage of Artemus Salathiel Alford
and Susan Amanda Cooper took place
in Pike County. Artemus had some kin
in Pike County in 1850 but he did not
appear. He and Susan were in Conecuh
County in 1860 with son Francis and
daughter Susan. Dave gave permission
to publish this letter. Artemus Alford,
son of Jacob Alford and Martha
Culver, was born about 1822 in
Georgia and died June 12, 1900 in
Texas. Artemus was Dave's great-
grandfather. If you know anything
about these folks, you can write Dave
at his Brentwood, TN, address.

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Sarah Ellen Aylsford

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Tan is looking for information about
Sarah Ellen Aylsford who married
Lester T. Lovejoy. Their daughter,
Lenora Ann Lovejoy was born 1855 in
Missouri or Colorado. Family legend
says that Lester was killed by an
Arapaho Indian when Lenora was three
years old.

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Charles M. Alford

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Sue needs help with her great grandfa-
ther Charles M. Alford.

Charles was born, according to the-
1900 census of Floyd County, Texas
March, 1853 in Texas. Both of his
parents were born in Alabama. In
1910 the places of birth of his
parents were shown as "unknown."
[He, or he and his wife, may not have
been present at the time of the
enumeration and one of the adult
children may have provided the
census information.] He married
Mary L. Wilson. Sue's grandfather,
Earl Wilson Alford, was born Jan. 5
1882 in Lee County, Texas. He died
May 14, 1957 in Amarillo. In 1900
Charles was a stockraiser. In 1910
Charley was the operator of a livery
stable (he was employed—not the
owner).

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Louisa Alford Cryer

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"I was writing to see if anyone
researching your Alford family had
come upon a Cryer connection. The
area I know of would be Alabama
counties of Madison, Marshall &
Limestone. For the present I am
trying to prove that my Louisa Cryer
born about 1832-35 in Alabama was
indeed Louisa Alford. Any help or
leads would be very much appreci-
ated."

AAFA NOTE: Responded in part
with "Our records here show her
marriage under two names: married

August 1, 1850 in Morgan County, Louisa I. to Alfred Crier and Louisa J. to Alfred Cryer." David would like to correspond with anyone connected with this family.

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Rachel Olford

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Jane is looking for information about Rachel Olford who was born about 1761, married Thomas Hinesley November 1743 Queen Anne's County, MD.

AAFA NOTE: Did find and report to her that our records show the marriage was on the 16th of November.

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Alford/Knapp adoptee

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"My last name is not Alford but Knapp. I was adopted as an infant and the only information I have been able to obtain is that my birth mother's name at the time of my birth was Alford. I was born in Wichita, Kansas on August 15, 1962 and was placed with my adoptive family about one week later. The adoption was finalized in September of the following year. My birth mother was 16 at the time of adoption; she was listed as being a German Lutheran—there was no listing for the father. I was adopted through the Lutheran social services in Wichita, Kansas. Any help you might be able to give me would be deeply appreciated."

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Alford Franklin Stafford

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Suzette is trying to find her Alford connection to an ancestor whose first name was Alford. Her ancestor, relation not given, was Alford Franklin Stafford born May 17, 1835 in Alexander County, NC married Cyrena Price about 1852 and died Feb. 21, 1902 or 1903. He was the son of Alford Monroe Stafford born Apr. 8, 1787 who married Martha Elizabeth Foster. He was the son of John Stafford.

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Alford Brown

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Another "first name" Alford: "I am trying to identify the parents of a great grandfather, Alford (or Alfred) Brown, born about 1838 in NC. Children of Alford and Emmaline (Lewis) Brown include Jane 1861, Eliza 1863, Lawson 1868, Milas 1869, Lee 1872, William (my grandfather) 1874, Darvin 1876, Thomas, Cora, and Rosa.

Alford's name is listed in census and civil war records as Alfred but I believe it was really Alford. Census records list his birthplace and that of his parents as NC. Residence in 1880 was North Fork Twp., Ashe Co., NC, and later in Roane Mt, TN. I am curious about the Alford name and why my great grandfather may have been named Alford." ♦

(William Alfords, cont. from p. 32)

William and Margaret were born in Scotland????

28) William Alford mentioned in Greenbrier Co. Deed 138-39, 26 Jun 1798, as having adjacent land to James Byrnsides, Joseph Swope and Moses Hall. Also adjacent to the land involved in this deed from James and Isabella Alexander to Audly Maxwell, 150 acres on Wolf Creek/Greenbrier River for one dollar. [GREENBRIER CO. DEED & WILL RECORDS, by Larry G. Shuck, p. 56]

29) William Alford, son of 19 above, born 23 Sept 1804, married Elizabeth Penner, c1825, Warren Co. KY, died c1880. [Information from Nancy Hughes AAFA #604, a descendant of this line]

30) William Alford who married Lucinda Alford in Amherst Co. 31 Oct 1804. She was the daughter of William (No. 16 above) so who was he? [Marriage records from Amherst Co. VA Courthouse]

31) William Alford, orphan son of Nancy Alford, mentioned in Greenbrier Co. Court Order Book, 27 Sept 1808, as being bound to Wm Smith. Is he the one who married Mary Johnson, Monroe Co., 9 Dec 1810? He is on Monroe Co. tax lists 1810 to 1816. Is he the William Alford who appears in Tazewell Co. in 1817-1820 and is listed on the Tazewell Co. 1820 census with the following?:

- 1 male under 10
- 1 male 10-16
- 1 male 26-45 (born 1775-1794)
- 3 females under 10
- 1 female 10-16
- 1 female 45+ (possibly a widow before her marriage, if married in 1810?)

This is the only William Alford in VA in 1820 according to the census. Where did he go? ♦