

British Columbia Marriages and Deaths

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The British Columbia Archives Web site (<http://www.bcarchives.gov.bc.ca>) contains a searchable index to marriages and deaths, with births in process. The vital statistics page was developed in cooperation with the British Columbia Vital Statistics Agency and the assistance of several genealogical societies.

Actual registration records are available on microfilm. The format of these records varied over the years, but generally contain information not found in the on-line indexes, such as the birth date and place of birth of the bride and the groom or decedent.

The British Columbia Vital Statistics Agency is responsible for the registration of births, marriages, and deaths in British Columbia. These registrations began in 1872 after British Columbia became a province of Canada.

The indexes to marriage registrations for 1872 to 1921 (events over 75 years old) and death registrations for 1872 to 1976 (events over 20 years old) are now available as on-line databases. Conversion of the births index for

1872 to 1896 (events over 100 years old) is in progress. Copies of the registration documents can be viewed on microfilm through local Family History Centers of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and at many libraries in British Columbia.

The information in these automated indexes is provided only for the purpose of locating registrations and should not be taken as authoritative. The final authority for all information is the registration document itself. As the indexes are utilized and users inform the Vital Statistics Agency of discrepancies, the indexes will be updated periodically to improve the data quality. If you encounter incomplete records in the index, please email your concerns to the Vital Statistics Agency at genealog@bcsc02.gov.bc.ca.

Registration records listed in the indexes that do not include microfilm numbers are late registrations that have yet to be filmed. They will be released at some point in the future. In such cases, request a copy from the British Columbia Vital Statistics Agency by completing and mailing a form.

Requests for Certified Copies of Registrations

The British Columbia Vital Statistics Agency provides a genealogical service which can search for records, and under certain conditions, can provide information from registrations which cannot yet be released to the general public. The agency can produce a genealogical certificate or a certified photocopy of the original registration. The fees for these services are outlined in the Vital Statistics Agency Fee List.

All requests for certified copies of registrations or genealogical certificates must be sent to the British Columbia Vital Statistics Agency. Requests to the Vital Statistics Agency can be made by completing and mailing a form, or by telephone. Specify all of the information from the index for the registration requested. The address is:

British Columbia Vital Statistics Agency
818 Fort Street
Victoria, British Columbia
Canada V8W 1H8
Telephone 250-952-2681

Dates appears as Year Month Day.

MARRIAGES 1872-1921

Groom Name	Bride Name	Event Date	Event Place	Reg. # / BC Archives MF #
GERALD MAURICE ALFORD	HELENA VIVIAN HARMAN	1913 10 25	VANCOUVER	1913-09-071423 B11377
GERALD MAURICE ALFORD	HELENA VIVIEN FITZHENRY	1913 10 25	VANCOUVER	1913-09-071423 B11377
HENRY ALFORD	ANNA ALFORD	1874 6 9	KINCOLITH	1874-09-412183 NOT FILMED
JOHN WESLEY ALFORD	JESSIE DONALDSON	1912 8 30	VANCOUVER	1912-09-069871 B11376
CHARLES C.W. HALFORD	GLADYS HELEN MANGAN	1917 3 3	VANCOUVER	1917-09-087334 B11380

Groom Name	Bride Name	Event Date	Event Place	Reg. # / BC Archives MF #
JOHN HALFORD	LENA WINIFRED JOHNSTON	1904 9 27	VANCOUVER	1904-09-050592 B11373
WILLIAM HERSCHEL ALFRED	ESTELLA PHILLIPS	1903 8 19	NEW WESTMINSTER	1903-09-118791 B11382
WILLIAM HERSHEL ALFRED	MABEL H. KENNY	1909 4 21	NEW WESTMINSTER	1909-09-120492 B11382
WILLIAM HERSHEL ALFRED	MABEL H. WISEMAN	1909 4 21	NEW WESTMINSTER	1909-09-120492 B11382
ROBERT BRUCE OLFORD	ELSA SNOWDEN	1912 2 13	ARMSTRONG	1912-09-139432 B11384
FRANK SLADE STEVENS	BEATRICE ALFORD	1920 12 18	VICTORIA	1920-09-217259 B12904
WILLIAM EDWARD VEITCH	KATE ALFORD	1913 1 15	VANCOUVER	1913-09-073628 B11377
CHARLES CLIFFORD	MABEL ALFORD	1912 8 21	VANCOUVER	1912-09-069984 B11376
BERTIE PEARSON	EDITH MARY ALFORD	1908 9 5	VANCOUVER	1908-09-056331 B11374
DAVID DOOLAN	LUCY ALFORD	1886 6 25	KINCOLITH	1886-09-412250 NOT FILMED
LEONARD A. STEPHENS	JESSAMINE V. HALFORD	1910 7 23	VANCOUVER	1910-09-062446 B11375
JOHN HANCOCK	MILDRED OLFORD	1914 2 26	NELSON	1914-09-141934 B11384

DEATHS 1872-1976

Name	Event Date	Age	Gender	Event Place	Reg. # BC Archives MF #
ALEXANDER HARRY ALFORD	1960 4 1	63	Male	MAPLE RIDGE	1960-09-004831 B13246
ALICE MAUDE C. ALFORD	1970 11 21	88	Female	MISSION	1970-09-015500 B13306
ANNIE MARIAN ALFORD	1908 3 13	36	Female	VERNON	1908-09-197083 B13110
EDNA LORRAINE ALFORD	1959 6 23	57	Female	VANCOUVER	1959-09-007650 B13242
ELLEN ELIZABETH ALFORD	1954 7 3	80	Female	VANCOUVER	1954-09-006872 B13220
ETHEL ALFORD	1947 8 11	63	Female	VICTORIA	1947-09-007006 B13194
ETHEL MURIEL ALFORD	1972 1 11	57	Female	VICTORIA	1972-09-001504 B13315
FRANCISKO ALFORD	1952 9 21	33	Female	VANCOUVER	1952-09-009091 B13213
FRANK HENRY ALFORD	1952 9 24	79	Male	SURREY	1952-09-009166 B13213
FRED ALFORD	1940 5 24	67	Male	PRINCE GEORGE	1940-09-573194 B13168
FRED ALFORD	1954 6 5	55	Male	VANCOUVER	1954-09-005956 B13220
GEORGINA MAY ALFORD	1959 9 1	64	Female	VANCOUVER	1959-09-010226 B13243

Name	Event Date	Age	Gender	Event Place	Reg. # BC Archives MF #
LEWIS ALFORD	1961 7 23	73	Male	VICTORIA	1961-09-008679 B13252
MARK THOMAS ALFORD	1972 11 2	87	Male	NEW WESTMINSTER	1972-09-016013 B13321
MARY ALFORD	1916 2 2	80	Female	NEW WESTMINSTER	1916-09-094187 B13091
MICHELLE ALFORD	1962 10 25	Unknown	Female	CAMPBELL RIVER	1962-09-015136 B13259
NELLIE VALLANCE ALFORD	1948 4 9	65	Female	BURNABY	1948-09-004379 B13197
REGINALD PRING ALFORD	1958 4 12	88	Male	VANCOUVER	1958-09-004532 B13236
RICHARD LEONARD ALFORD	1974 4 14	18	Male	CAMPBELL RIVER	1974-09-006995 B13332
ROBERT JOHN ALFORD	1956 4 13	87	Male	VANCOUVER	1956-09-004578 B13227
THOMAS PATRICK ALFORD	1974 1 17	84	Male	KAMLOOPS	1974-09-002634 B13330
THOMAS WILLIAM ALFORD	1951 6 3	41	Male	VANCOUVER	1951-09-005649 B132083
WILFRED ALFORD	1937 10 26	47	Male	BURNABY	1937-09-535494 B13161 ♦

Jeptha Alford of Georgia, c1797 – after 1861

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Jeptha Alford was born about 1797 in NC (on 1850 Census he is age 53, born NC). The names of his parents are not known at this time. He was married to Jane Scoggins on July 30, 1820, in Jones Co., GA. He married (2) Nancy Williams on December 28, 1855 in Carroll Co., GA.

In 1830, he was listed in the Jackson Co., GA Census with four sons and two daughters. By 1840, he was found in Troup Co., GA with five sons and three daughters. On the 1850 Census the family is in Carroll Co., GA [see also AAFA ACTION, Fall 1996, p. 21].

Jeptha Alford	53	NC
Jane Alford	46	GA
Jefferson Alford	14	GA
Mary Ann Alford	26	GA
Jane Alford	12	GA

Susan Alford	10	GA
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Question: Is Mary Ann's age a mistake on the census?

In the 1860 Census, we find in Carroll Co., GA:

Jeptha Alford	60	NC
Nancy Alford	50	NC
Mary Williams	36	NC
Martha Williams	26	NC

Question: Both Jeptha's and Nancy's ages are suspect. Are the two Williams women daughters of Nancy?

In the 1870 Census we find in Carroll Co., GA:

Nancy Allford	58	NC
Richard Lyle	37	GA
Mary A. Lyle	26	GA
Enoch Lyle	4	GA

Question: Who are these Lyles? If Mary is Nancy's daughter, where was she in previous censuses, and who is the Mary Williams in the 1860 Census?

Children:

1. Julius C. Alford was born about 1820 in GA. He married Elaphar Hickey on January 13, 1847, in Troup Co., GA. AAFA records indicate that they only had one child.
2. James Richard Alford was born about 1821 in GA. He was married (1) to Jane Piper who was born about 1820 in GA. He married (2) Martha Williams (possibly his step-sister).
3. Elizabeth Alford was born about 1822 in GA. She was married to James W. Richardson on October