

Peachman Alford, Part 2

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Many years ago, long before AAFA or even before "About Alford," Lucille was collecting anything and everything she could find about Alford—particularly Texas Alford. Were it not for her it is unlikely that "About Alford" would ever have been published or the Alford Association would ever have been formed. For more on that see AAFA ACTION #45, Summer 1999, page 45.

Lucille was also a major contributor to the "Alford Family Bulletin" published in the 1970s by the late Mrs. Lewis O. "Tressie" Bowman - also a member of the AAFA Hall of Fame.

This article is rather lengthy and will be published in installments in future issues based on space availability. The original manuscript contained many family photos that could not be copied here. A copy of the original is available at AAFA Central.

There are instances where some data may be in error. If anyone encounters such errors and has evidence with proper dates, names, etc., please forward this to the editors and we will make appropriate corrections in future issues. Ed.

CENSUS HISTORY OF: Rev. Joshua Newton Clayton; m1 Anna Thomas; m2 Maggie Alford

1870 Montgomery Co., TX.

John L. Turner		42	m	w	AL	1828; John Lambert Turner
Lydia	wife	36	f	w	AL	1834; nee Hunt
James W.	son	16	m	w	MS	1854; m Cynthia Green
Mary E.	dau	14	f	w	MS	1856; m John George Chandler
Sarah R.	dau	12	f	w	MS	1858; m Nathan Thomas (dau Lydia m Wm. H. Alford)
Anna	dau	10	f	w	MS	1860; m Joshua Newton Clayton in 1886 (1 cousins)
John C.	son	8	m	w	MS	1872; m Almeda Proctor

1900 Grimes Co, TX Census C435

Joshua Clayton		Jan.	1859	41	m	1	MS	AL	AL; Rev. Joshua Newton Clayton
Annie E.	wife	Aug.	1861	39	9/8		MS	AL	AL; nee Turner
Geo. Lester	son	May	1884	16	s		TX	MS	AL; m Lola Snow
Lydia Myrtle	dau	Mar.	1886	14	s		TX	MS	AL; m Manning B. Snow
Amy Ethel	dau	Jan.	1888	12	s		TX	MS	AL; m Frank E. Williams
James N.	son	Aug.	1890	11	s		TX	MS	AL; m Molly Ruthledge
Mattie M.	dau	July	1892	8	s		TX	MS	AL; m1 Snyder; m2 Ben Hawkins
Fairie Ella	dau	Nov.	1895	5	s		TX	MS	AL; m Ernest Eckman
Ebbie	dau	Feb.	1897	2	s		TX	MS	AL; m John Clyde Parker
Cecil A.	son	May	1900	3/12	s		TX	MS	AL; m Emola Woods

1910 Waller Co., TX

James N. Clayton	51 wd	MS AL AL	Maggie Briers	f w 33 wd 5 4 4	TX TX TX
James N.	son	19 TX MS MS:	Owen L.	son m w 9 s	TX TX TX
Mattie	dau	16 TX MS MS:	Lela M.	dau f w 7 s	TX TX TX
Ella	dau	14 TX MS MS:	Ada L.	dau f w 4 s	TX TX TX
Ebbie	dau	12 TX MS MS:	Thomas E.	dau f w 2 s	TX TX TX

George L. Clayton	25 m/1	8 TX MS MS
Laura	wife 25 m/1	8 4 2 TX GA SC nee Snow
Mary	dau 6 s	TX TX TX
Ruth	dau 3 s	TX TX TX

1920 Waller Co., TX

Joshua N. Clayton	w m 60	MS 1860; Rev.
Maggie	wife w f 42	TX 1878; nee Alford; wd of Thomas E. Briers
Mattie M.	dau w f 24	TX 1896
Fannie E.	dau w f 22	TX 1898
Cecil A.	son w m 20	TX 1900
Woodrow P.	son w m 7	TX 1913
Ruby R.	dau w f 5	TX 1915
J. Newton	son w m 2 10/12	TX 1917
Leslie O. Briers	ss w m 19	TX 1901
Lela	sd w f 16	TX 1904
Ada L.	sd w f 14	TX 1906
Eddie T.	sd w f 11	TX 1909

4. (7). MAGGIE GRACE ALFORD (John P., Wm. B., Unknown), was born 9 March 1877, Waller Co., TX; daughter of John Peachman Alford and Margaret Jane Mostyn; d. 6 Feb. 1960 Houston, TX; buried Springer-Macedonia Cemetery. m1 25 Nov. 1897 Waller Co., TX to Thomas Edwin Briers, born 3 Sept. 1877 Clarke Co., AL; died 18 March 1908 Waller Co., TX; son of Henry Harry Briers and Martha Jane McDonald. m2 10 Dec. 1911 Magnolia, Montgomery Co., TX to Rev. Joshua/James Newton Clayton born Jan. 1859 in MS; s/o Joshua Swepson Clayton and Nancy Irene Turner. Rev. J. Newton Clayton was called as pastor of Macedonia Baptist Church in Mink Prairie in 1891 (now First Baptist Church of Magnolia) and later to the Reids Prairie Baptist Church; d. 15 July 1924 Waller Co., TX; buried Springer-Macedonia Cemetery.

Children of Thomas Edwin Briers and Maggie Grace Alford

5. (1). Otto Edwin Briers, b. 18 Oct. 1898; d. 17 July 1905
(Smothered while playing in a bale of cotton)
5. (2). Leslie Owen Briers, b. 22 Oct. 1900.
5. (3). Lela Myrtle Briers, b. 9 April 1903
5. (4). Ada Lee Briers, b. 31 Aug 1905
5. (5). Thomas Edwin "Eddie" Briers, b. 18 March 1908.

Children of Rev. J. N. Clayton and Annie Estell Turner:

- (1). George Leslie Clayton, b. May 1884; d June 1926; m Lola Snow
- (2). Lydia Myrtle Clayton, b. 4 March 1886; d 11 Dec. 1927; m Manning B. Snow.
- (3). Amy Ethel Clayton, b. 23 Jan. 1888; d. 31 Jan. 1971; m Frank E. Williams
- (4). James Newton "Dub" Clayton, b. 30 Aug. 1890; d. 5 May 1951 m Molly Ruthledge
- (5). Davis Clayton, b. 23 Oct. 1892; d. 17 Dec. 1892.
- (6). Mattie Clayton, b. 17 July 1893; m1 Snyder; m2 Ben Hawkins

- (7). Fairie Ella Clayton, b. 19 Sept. 1895; d. 9 Nov. 1979;² m Ernest Eckman.
- (8). Ebbie Clayton, b. 1 Feb. 1897; m to John Clyde Parker
- (9). Cecil Aaron Clayton, b. 21 Feb. 1900; d. 30 July 1970³; m Enola Woods
- (10). Turner Clayton, b. 18 March 1903; DY

Children of Maggie (Alford) Briers & Rev. J. Newton Clayton.

- 5. (6). Woodrow Peachman Clayton, b. 5 Nov. 1912; m Hazel Walker
- 5. (7). Ruby Ruth Clayton, b. 17 Sept. 1914; m Harry J. McKeown
- 5. (8). Jack Newton Clayton, b. 9 Mar. 1917; m Bonnie Ruth Gentry

5. (6). WOODROW PEACHMAN CLAYTON (Maggie, John P., Wm. B., Unknown), born 5 Nov. 1912 Hockley, Waller Co., TX; son of Rev. Joshua Newton Clayton and Maggie Grace (Alford) Briers. Staff Sergeant Woodrow P. Clayton, 18186963 was killed on 2 Apr. 1944, when his B-24 and another bomber collided over the target at Bihac, Yugoslavia, while on his first mission as Nose Gunner and Asst. Engineer of a B-24 with the 15th Air Force, based in Italy. Married to Hazel Frankie Walker, d/o Mr. & Mrs. Frank Walker. No Children.

5. (7). RUBY RUTH CLAYTON (Maggie, John P., Wm. B., Unknown), was born 17 Sept. 1914, Waller Co., TX; daughter of Rev. Joshua Newton Clayton and Maggie (Alford) Briers. Died 23 June 1980, Houston, TX; SSA 465-12-0840, buried Springer-Macedonia Cemetery, near Hockley in Waller Co., TX. Married ca 1935-6 to Harry James McKeown, born 27 Oct. 1910, Birmingham, Jefferson Co., AL; died 7 June 1987, Navasota, Grimes Co., TX; SSA 460-03-5594; Buried near Waller Co., TX in Springer-Macedonia Cemetery. Harry m2 ca 1982 to Lorine Jones; born 1920; died 23 Sept. 1987, Houston, Harris Co., TX; buried Memorial Oaks Cemetery, Houston, TX. Children:

6. (1). Harry Wayne McKeown, b. 13 Aug. 1937, Houston, Harris Co., TX. Married Cheryl Cutrer; d/o John P. & Colean Cutrer.

Children:

7. (1). Cynthia Renee' McKeown. Married 28 Oct. 1989, to Jackson Leroy Battle, Jr.; son of Mr. & Mrs. Jackson Leroy Battle, Sr.

Children:

8. (1). Lindsey Marie Battle, b. 10 Nov. 1993.

8. (2). Parker Jackson Battle, b. 14 June 1997.

7. (2). Harry Jay McKeown. Married 19 Nov. 1995 to Sandra Elsie Bosse; daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Neal Bosse.

Children:

8. (1). William James McKeown, b. 6 Feb. 1997, TX.

5. (8). J. "JACK" NEWTON CLAYTON (Maggie, John P., Wm. B., Unknown), was born 9 March 1917, Waller Co., TX; son of Rev. Joshua Newton Clayton and Maggie (Alford) Briers; died 20 Feb. 1970, Waller Co., TX. Buried Springer-Macedonia Cemetery, near Hockley in Waller Co., TX. Married 19 Feb. 1942, to Bonnie Ruth Gentry, born 30 Dec. 1923, Grimes Co., TX, daughter of Roy Borden Gentry and Ester Gladys Norman.

Children:

6. (1). Jack Woodrow Clayton, b. Oct. 4th, 1944, Houston, Harris Co., TX. Married Dottie.

Children:

7. (1). Jeffrey Scott Clayton, b. 5 July 1975, TX.

7. (2). Laura Clayton, b.

² Social Security Death Index; USA 1937-1995 (456-40-6197).

³ Social Security Death Index; USA 1937-1995 (451-10-8221) Zip 77662 Vidor

CENSUS HISTORY OF: Drury Preston "Press" Izard⁴ & Ada Alford1880 Waller Co., TX, Census

Drury Izard		28 1852 AR	J. P. Alford	30 AL SC AL
Sarah	wife	27 1853 TX; nee Ogg	Mary J. wife	30 TX Ire Ire
Silas Rae	son	8 1872 TX; m Annie	Maggie dau	3 TX AL TX
<u>Drury P.</u>	<u>son</u>	<u>6 1874 TX; m Ada Alford</u>	<u>Adie dau</u>	<u>3/12 TX AL TX</u>
Thomas	son	2 1878 TX; m Jessie Simmons		
Texanna	dau	1 1879 TX; m Theodore Fries		

1900 Waller Co., TX, Pc 3; Dwelling #197

Drury Izard		Feb. 1874 m 0	TX AR TX
Ada	wife	Feb. 1880 m 0	TX AR TX; nee Alford

1910 Waller Co. TX. Pc 3; Dwg #207; Fm #208

Drew P. Izard		35 1875 m1 9	TX TX TX
Ada	wife	30 1880 m1 9 4	TX TX TX; nee Alford
Irvin R.	son	9 1901 s	TX TX TX
Bertha I.	dau	6 1904 s	TX TX TX
Maggie A.	dau	4 1906 s	TX TX TX
Lillie Bell	dau	2 1908 s	TX TX TX
Ernest	bro.	17 1893 s	TX TX TX

1920 Waller Co., TX, Census Soundex I 263

167-128; dwelling 7; household 26

Drew P. Izard		45 TX 1875
Ada E.	wife	39 TX 1881; nee Alford
Irwin R.	son	18 TX 1902; m3 ___ Reed
Irene B.	dau	16 TX 1904; m Hiram Thompson
Maggie A.	dau	14 TX 1906; m David Townsend
Lillie B.	dau	10 TX 1910; m Gordon Yancey
Thelma	dau	6 TX 1924; never married
Druery P.	son	3/12 TX 1920; m Alma Jones

4. (8). ADA ELVIRA ALFORD (John P., Wm. B., Unknown), born 28 Feb. 1880, Waller Co., TX; daughter of John Peachman Alford and Margaret Jane Mostyn; died 14 July 1944, Waller Co., TX; buried Springer-Macedonia Cemetery, near Hockley, in Waller Co., TX. Married 8 March 1900, to Drury Preston Izard, Jr.; son of Drury Preston "Press" Izard, Sr. and Sarah Ogg (d/o Thomas). Born 6 Feb. 1874, in Texas; died 6 Nov. 1951, Waller Co., TX. Buried Springer-Macedonia Cemetery, Waller Co., TX.

⁴ See 1800-10 KY; 1840-50 St. Frances Co., AR, 1860 Fayette Co., TX & 1880 Waller Co., TX for this Izard family.

Children:

5. (1). Irvin R. Izard, b. 25 Feb. 1901, Waller Co., TX. Died 6 Nov. 1951; buried Springer-Macedonia Cemetery. Married 3 times. No children.
5. (2). Birtha Irene Izard, b. 7 June 1903, Waller Co., TX.
5. (3). Margaret Ann Izard, b. 22 Apr. 1906, Waller Co., TX.
5. (4). Lillie Bell Izard, b. Feb. 1909, Waller Co., TX.
5. (5). Thelma Modene Izard, b. 1 Nov. 1913, Hockley, Waller Co., TX; d. 30 Apr. 1934 of T. B. Never married.
5. (7). Drury Preston Izard, III, b. 10 Feb. 1916, Waller Co., TX; m ca 1936 to Alma Jones, b. 29 Aug. 1919, TX; d. Aug. 1994, Tomball, Harris Co., TX.⁵

5. (2). BIRTHA IRENE IZARD (Ada, John P., Wm. B., Unknown), born 7 June 1903, Waller, TX; daughter of Drury Preston Izard, Jr. and Ada Elvira Alford; died Aug. 1984. SS 453-34-8732. Married 8 June 1921, Waller Co., TX to Hiram M. Thompson born 1895; died Sealy, Austin Co., TX on 30 Oct. 1977. Buried Sealy Cemetery, Austin Co., TX.

Children:

6. (1). Geraldine "Jerry" Irene Thompson, b. ca 1924 TX; m to Dr. Frank Smith; he d ca 1993. Resident: Sealy, Austin Co., TX.

Had six children:

5. (3). MARGARET IZARD (Ada, John P., Wm. B., Unknown), born 22 Apr. 1906 near Hockley in Waller Co., TX; daughter of Drury Press Izard, Jr., and Ada Elvira Alford; died 28 Feb. 1989, Houston, Harris Co., TX; burial Hollywood Cemetery, Houston, Harris Co., TX. Owner of Margaret Townsend Realty. Married ca 1926/27 to David Wachter Townsend. EX. Of Carmon Iron Works.

Children:

6. (1). Margaret Ann Townsend, b. ca 1928; m to Arthur Bryan Hall, Sr.

Children:

7. (1). Jane Margaret Hall.
7. (2). Arthur Bryan Hall, Jr.
6. (2). Oliver I. Townsend, b ca 1930
6. (3). David Arthur Townsend, Sr.

Children:

7. (1). David Arthur Townsend, Jr.
7. (2). Diane (Townsend) Kingshill.

Children:

8. (1). Tyler Townsend Kingshill.

5. (4). LILLIE BELL IZARD (Ada, John P., Wm. B., Unknown), born 1st Feb. 1909, Waller Co., TX; daughter of Drury Press Izard, Jr. and Ada Elvira Alford. Married ca 1930 to Gordon Lester Yancey, born 15 Oct. 1905, Bivins, Cass Co., TX; s/o William Duncan Yancy and Maggie Lewis;⁶ died 16th July 1988, Montgomery Co., TX.

Children:

6. (1). Jerry Lester Yancey, b. 28 Aug. 1931, m Lillie Louise Witte, b. 9 Jan. 1930 in Yoakum, Lavaca Co., TX.

Children:

7. (1). Jerry Kendall Yancey, b. 1 Aug. 1958
7. (2). Jayne Marguerite Yancey, b. 29 May 1962.

7. (3). Bobby Gordon Yancey, b. 17 Sept. 1935; m to Ann Mock, b. 11 Jan. 1938, Dobbin, Montgomery Co., TX.

⁵ Social Security Death Index: U.S., 1937-1995 (465-05-0451).

⁶ Magnolia Memories

Children:

8. (1). Todd Yancey, b. 1 July 1959.
 8. (2). Forrest Yancey, b. 28 Dec. 1960.
 8. (3). Stacy Yancey, b. 18 Jan. 1963.
 8. (4). Lillie Kay Yancey, b. 1 Dec. 1964.

CENSUS HISTORY OF John Edward Ogg & Alice Alford

1900 Waller Co., TX, Census

Emma Ogg		f w Nov. 1856 43 wd 11 10	TX Ire. AL; nee Anderson;
John E.	son	m w Sep. 1880 20 s	TX TX TX; m1 Emmie Roberts; m2 Alice Alford
Henry W.	son	m w Oct. 1881 18 s	TX TX TX; m Bessie Campbell
Colra I.	dau	f w Jul. 1883 16 s	TX TX TX; m Arthur Williams
Joseph	son	m w Sep. 1885 15 s	TX TX TX; m Ollie Freeman
Edna	dau	f w Aug. 1887 13 s	TX TX TX; m John Andrew Hafer
Jessie	son	m w Mar. 1890 10 s	TX TX TX; Jessie <u>Peachman</u> m Myrtle May Williams
Callie	dau	f w Apr. 1892 8 s	TX TX TX; m Charley Bigler
Maggie	dau	f w Mar. 1895 5 s	TX TX TX; d. age 11

Wd of Henry Warren Ogg b. 1848 GA; s/o John & Martha Ogg Sr; g/s Thomas.

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Houston, Harris Co., TX; 1103 Tulane St.; En: 95; Sub. 102; Dwelling 10, Family 59.

John E. Ogg		41	TX; 1879; s/o Henry Warren
Alice	wife	38	TX; 1882; nee Alford
Milton	son	12	TX; 1908
Lela Briers	niece	16 f w	TX; 1904; d/o Thomas E. Briers
Emma Ogg	mother	63 f w	TX; 1857; nee Anderson

4. (9). ALICE BELL ALFORD (John P., Wm. B., Unknown), was born 23 May 1882, Waller Co., TX; daughter of John Peachman Alford and Margaret Jane Mostyn; died 21 Aug. 1964, Houston, Harris Co., TX; buried Hollywood Cemetery, Houston, Harris Co., TX. Married 7 Oct. 1906 to John Edward "Ned" Ogg; born 12 Sept. 1879, Waller Co., TX;⁷ son of Henry Warren Ogg and Emmalyne Anderson (d/o Thomas Anderson & Eliza (Thames) Rodgerson; stepdaughter of Wm. B. Alford); died 17 July 1947, Houston, Harris Co., TX; buried in Hollywood Cemetery, Houston, Harris Co., TX. John Edward ml on 2 Oct. 1900 Waller Co., TX to Emmie Roberts.

Children of John Edward Ogg & Emmie Roberts.

- (1). Raymond Ogg, b. ca 1902 TX.

Children:

- (1). Daughter m Jeff Fryman.

Children of John Edward Ogg & Alice Bell Alford.

⁷ Probate Births of Waller Co., TX.

5. (2). Milton E. Ogg, b. 29 March 1910, Houston, Harris Co., TX; d. 23 May 1983, Pinehurst, TX.⁸
m1 Elsie ; m2 Minnie; m3; ; m4 Ruth Shelton.

Children:

6. (1). Elsie Louise Ogg; m to Kenneth Kleinworth.

Children:

7. (1). Kenneth Kleinworth.

7. (2). Eddie Kleinworth.

CENSUS HISTORY OF: James J. Page, Jr. & Millie Eveline Alford

1910 Waller Co., TX Census

James Page		w m 24 ml 4	TX NC NC 1886
Eva	wife	w f 23 ml 4 3 3	TX TX TX 1887; nee Alford
Ola M.	dau	w f 3 s	TX TX TX 1907
J. P.	son	w m 4/12 s	TX TX TX 1910; James <u>Peachman</u>
James J. Sr.	father	w m 70 wd	NC NC NC 1840
Minnie C.	sister	w f 32 s	TX NC NC 1878
Geo. F.	uncle	w m 54	TX NC NC 1856

4. (11). MILLIE EVELYN ALFORD (John P., Wm. B., Unknown), was born 28 Jan. 1887 Montgomery Co., TX; daughter of John Peachman Alford and Margaret Jane Mostyn; died 8 March 1911, Waller Co., TX. Buried Fields Store Cemetery, Waller Co., TX. Married 2 Nov. 1905, Waller Co., TX to James Jackson Page, Jr. born 22 Jan. 1886; son of James Jackson Page, Sr. and Elizabeth Eliza Page. Died 25 Dec. 1958, Waller Co., TX; buried Fields Store Cemetery, Waller, TX. He m2 Mattie Riley; d/o Charles E. & Theodacia Alice Riley; m3 Grace Hollingsworth.

Children of James J. Page and Millie E. Alford;

5. (1). Ola Mae Page, born 19 Aug. 1906, Montgomery Co., TX; d. 16 July 1991, Houston, Harris Co., TX. SS# 451-24-5568. m1 ca 1924 Howard Sorsby; m2 Leonard Bench.

Children⁹:

6. (1). Lester Howard Sorsby, b. 12 June 1925, Houston, TX. m on 16 Oct. 1948, to Wanda Perkins. d 25 Dec. 1990. Owner of Astec Rental Centers, Inc. on 34th, Houston, TX.

Children:

7. (1). Lester Howard Sorsby, Jr., b. 12 June 1950.

7. (2). Carol Marie Sorsby, b. 19 Apr. 1953; m on 30 Jan. 1972 to Allen Nedd.

7. (3). Richard Ray Sorsby, b. 8 Dec. 1954.

6. (2). Evelyn Marie Sorsby, b. 25 Oct. 1927; m on 4 Apr. 1948 to Ronald William Callahan, SR.

Children:

7. (1). Ronald William Callahan, Jr., b. 5 Dec. 1949, Houston. m. on 8 Nov. 1973 to Susan Jean Miles.

7. (2). Carolyn Callahan, b. 5 Dec. 1951; m. Gregory Searcy.

7. (3). Jean Marie Callahan, b. 15 Jan. 1954.

6. (3). Eldon Ray Sorsby, b. Waller Co., TX, 27 Apr. 1929. Married to Phillis Lind.

5. (2). Homer Ray Page, born 14 Feb. 1908; d. 1 Sept. 1977. m1 Willie Hafer, b. ca 1908; died 23 Jan. 1997. Div. m2 Frances Brown. Veteran WWII.

⁸ Social Security Death Index: 1937-1995. (460-07-7106).

⁹ Index to Probate Cases Waller Co., TX. (10-10-1913 #688)

Children:

6. (1). Evelyn Allene Page; b. 1927; d. Sep. 1952; Killed by husband, Daniel Parker.
 5. (3). James Peachman Page, b. 27 Nov. 1909; d. 19 Sept. 1919. Buried: Fields Store Cemetery, Waller, TX.
 Children of James J. Page and Mattie Riley.
 (1). Vera Louise Page, b. 19 May 1914; d. Dec. 1985; m to James E. Swearingen.
 (2). Robert James Page, b. 20 Sept. 1919; m 31 Dec. 1945 to Joyce Schooley.
 (3). James Edward 'Jack' Page, III, b. 24 Oct. 1924; d. 10 Apr. 1992; m on 15 Nov. 1947 to Marilyn Joyce Witte.

CENSUS HISTORY OF : George Emmett Alford & Jessie Lee Riley

1900 Waller, Co., TX, Census; Family 317

Charles Riley		Jan. 1858	42 m 13	AL GA GA
Alice T.	wife	Jul. 1867	32 m 13 6 6	AL GA AL nee Poss
Lucy	dau.	1897	3	TX AL AL; m Botkin
Elmer	son	Jan. 1890	10	TX AL AL
Jessie	dau	Jan. 1894	6	TX AL AL; m Emmett Alford
Bessie	dau	Jan. 1894	6	TX AL AL; m1 Fleming; m2 Waverick
Rufus	son	Feb. 1896	4	TX AL AL
Walter	son	Apr. 1898	2	TX AL AL; m Mary Ann Clepper
Charles	father	Nov. 1837	72, s	GA GA GA

1910 Waller Co., TX Census; Dwelling 111; Family 114

John P. Alford		w m 69	WD	1841 AL SC AL
Geo. E.	son	w m 20	m/1 0 0	1890 TX AL TX
Jessie	DIL	w f 17	m/1 0 0 0	1893 TX UN UN nee Riley
Harrison W.	son	w m 12	s	1898 TX AL TX

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George Emmett Alford		30 m w	1890 TX
Jessie Lee	wife	26 f w	1894 TX; nee Riley
Alma Ruth	dau	9 f w	1911 TX
Aubrey Ray	son	8 m w	1912 TX
Emmett	son	3 m w	1916 TX

4. (12). GEORGE EMMETT ALFORD (John P., Wm. B., Unknown), was born 10 Oct. 1889, Montgomery Co., TX; son of John Peachman Alford and Margaret Jane Mostyn; died 4 Nov. 1972, in Houston, Harris Co., TX; SSA 460-21-2163; buried Forest Park Lawndale Cemetery, Houston, Harris Co., TX. Married 10 Oct. 1909, Waller Co., TX to Jessie Lee Riley; born 9 Jan. 1894, Waller Co., TX; daughter of Charles Elvin Riley and Theodocia Alice Poss; died 21 July 1962, Houston, Harris Co., TX; buried Forest Park Lawndale Cemetery, Houston Harris Co., TX.

Children:

5. (1). Alma Ruth Alford, b. 18 July 1910, Montgomery Co., TX
 5. (2). Aubrey Rae "Buster" Alford, b. 19 June 1913, Waller Co., TX

5. (3). Georginia Alford; b. ca 1915; d. 11 Sept. 1917¹⁰; buried Fields Store Cemetery.
 5. (4). Edward Emmett Alford, 26 Oct. 1916, Waller Co., TX.

5. (1). ALMA RUTH ALFORD (Emmett, John P., Wm. B., Unknown), born 18 July 1910, Montgomery Co., TX; daughter of George Emmett Alford & Jessie Lee Riley; died 31 Jan. 1979, Houston, Harris Co., TX. Married to Wilbur Frazier.

Children:

6. (1). Randy Frazier.
 Children;
 7. (1). Laura Ann Frazier.

5. (2). AUBREY RAE "Buster" ALFORD (Emmett, John P., Wm. B., Unknown), born 19 June 1913, Montgomery Co., TX; died 23 Feb. 1987, Houston, TX; son of George Emmett Alford and Jessie Lee Riley. Married Blanch E. Lucas, b. 25 Dec. 1914; d. Sep. 1990; SS 460-09-6690.

Children:

6. (1). W. A. "Billy" Alford; m to Debbie.
 Children:
 7. (1). Glynn Alford.
 Children:
 8. (1). McKenzie Alford.
 7. (2). Brandi Alford.
 7. (3). Kay Alford.
 6. (2). Betty Ray Alford. m1 Pittman; m2 Talent??:; m3 Ken Kanka.
 Children:
 7. (1). Cathy Pittman.
 7. (2). Dawn Pittman.
 7. (3). Cody Pittman.
 7. (4). Coery Talent.
 7. (5). Casey Talent.

5. (3). Edward Emmett Alford (Emmett, John , Wm. B., Unknown), b. 26 Oct. 1916, Waller Co., TX; died 13 Nov. 1958, Houston, Harris Co., TX; son of George Emmett Alford and Jessie Lee Riley. m1 to Lona Jane Lee. m2 to Illa Price.

Children:

6. (1). Donald E. Alford.
 6. (2). Jon Mark Alford; Died young

CENSUS HISTORY OF: William "Big" Harry Alford & Lydia Thomas

1910 Montgomery Co., TX Census
 Household 111; Family 114

1910 Montgomery Co., TX.
 Nathan Thomas 55 1855 FL

John P. Alford	w m 69 WD	AL SC AL	Rose 53 1857 nee Turner
Geo. E.	son w m 20 m/1 0 0	TX AL TX	John Henry m Eula Dinkins
Jessie	w f 17 m/1 0 0 0	TX UN UN	Sallie m Frank Dean
Harrison W.	son w m 12 s	TX AL TX	Georgia

¹⁰ Death Certificate #25103

1920 Montgomery Co., TX, Census

Harry W. Alford		27	1893 TX
Lydia R.	wife	28	1892 TX nee Thomas
Juanita	dau	11 Nov.	1914 TX
Annie L.		3 June	1917 TX

4. (13). WILLIAM HARRISON "Big Harry" ALFORD (John P., Wm. B., Unknown), was born 4 Aug. 1892. Montgomery Co., TX; son of John Peachman Alford and Margaret Jane Mostyn; died 4 Sep. 1978, Tomball, Harris Co., TX.¹¹; buried Mostyn (now Tillis Prairie) Cemetery, Montgomery Co., TX. Since there were two Wm. Harry Alfords and they were second cousins, they were designated as "Big" Harry and "Little Harry". The nicknames were not chosen because of size, but because of age. "Big Harry" was about 5'7" tall, had black naturally wavy hair, fair complexion, and blue eyes. "Little Harry" was 6'1" tall and weighed 190 pounds. m1 on 28 Jan. 1912, Waller Co., TX¹²; to Lydia Roseman Thomas; born 21 July 1891, Montgomery Co., TX; daughter of Nathan A. Thomas and Sadie Rosie Turner; died 24 Mar. 1978;¹³ buried Magnolia Cemetery, Montgomery Co., TX. m2 on 28 Dec. 1953, Austin Co., TX¹⁴ to Katie Clark. m3 to Jocia Belle (Collins) Burleson, born 29 Feb. 1920, TX; died 22 June 1978 in Houston, Harris Co., TX;¹⁵ buried Mostyn Cemetery (Now Tillis Prairie), Montgomery Co., TX.

Children:

5. (1). Lydia Juanita Alford, b. 22 Feb. 1913, Montgomery Co., TX.
 5. (2). Annie Lucille Alford, b. 23 July 1916; d. 15 Mar. 1997; Burial Magnolia Cemetery; m to Roman Williams. b. 31 July 1912; s/o Wiley & Josephine (Doucette) Williams¹⁶; d. 1993.
 No children.

5. (1) LYDIA JUANITA ALFORD (Wm. H., John P., Wm. B., Unknown), was born 22 Feb. 1913; Montgomery Co., TX; daughter of William Harrison Alford & Lydia Roseman Thomas; died 20 Sep. 1964 of cancer; buried Magnolia Cemetery, Montgomery Co., TX. Graduated from Sam Houston State Teachers College 26 May 1931. Married 21 May 1932, to Culous J. "Dick" Yancey; born 18 Nov. 1906; son of Tom M. & Virgie Ann (Kuhn) Yancey; died 19 Dec. 1966 of heart attack; buried Magnolia Cemetery.

Children:¹⁷

6. (1) Culous Wayne Yancey, born 15 Mar. 1936. Owner Yancey's Restaurant in Magnolia until 1988. m1 in Germany to Helga Antonia Liepold; m2 7 Jan. 1984 to Connie McMarries.

Children:

7. (1). "Dickey" Wayne Yancey, b. 6 July 1957 in Germany.

¹¹ Death Certificate #1256337; SS# 457-42-1182

¹² Waller Co., TX. Marriage Book Z pg 467.

¹³ Social Security Death Index 1937-1995. SSA 456-62-4788

¹⁴ Austin Co., TX Marriage BK2 pg 467

¹⁵ Social Security Death Index 1937-1995. SSA 452-32-6066

¹⁶ Magnolia Memories. Pg. 574.

¹⁷ Magnolia Memories.

Children:

8. (1). Dickey Yancey.
 8. (2). Mitzie Yancey.
 7. (2). Helgo "Mitze" Yancey, b. 21 July 1959 in Texas.
 6. (2). Juanita Gaye Yancey, born 6 June 1946 TX.

CENSUS HISTORY OF: Sarah A. Alford & Green Roberts

1850 Monroe Co., AL Census

Pg. 41; Monroe Co., AL.

Tiry Roberts		45 m w SC 1805 (1840 Tyre Roberts)
Rebecca	wife	51 f w NC 1799 nee Ray
James M.	son	19 m w AL 1831; m Lucinda Henrietta Thames
Wm. J. J.	son	18 m w AL 1832; m Sallie A. (buried Mathis Cemetery).
Green	son	16 m w AL 1834; m Sarah Alford
Nancy	dau	14 f w AL 1836; m James Wells
Geo. W.	son	11 m w AL 1839
John D.	son	9 m w AL 1841

1860 Montgomery Co., TX.

227 G. Roberts	25 m w AL 1835; be s/o Tyre
S.	wife 16 f w AL 1844; nee Alford
L.	11/12 f w TX 1869; Lula

1870 Calhoun Co., TX Census

Port Lavaca

Family says at Port Lavaca 1870 Census - unable to find in Index??

1880 Falls Co., TX Census

9 13 Green Roberts	m w	44 TX — — 1836
Sarah	wife	f w 36 TX 1844
Benj.	son	m w 16 TX 1864
Ella	dau	f w 13 TX 1867
Lula	dau	f w 10 TX 1870
Susan	dau	f w 9 TX 1871
Eliz.	dau	f w 6 TX 1874
Anna	dau	f w 4 TX 1876
Mena	dau	f w 2 TX 1878

1910 Falls Co., TX Census

Walter Gum		36 ml 16	MS MS MS 1874
Nettie	wife	30 ml 16 8 7	TX AL AL 1880; nee Roberts
Menda	dau	13 s	TX MS TX 1897
Irene	dau	11 s	TX MS TX 1899
Ader	son	9 s	TX MS TX 1901

Gwyn	son	6 s	TX MS TX 1904; Guy Gum ¹⁸
Ruby	dau	3 s	TX MS TX 1907
G. M. Tucker hired hand	36		TX TX TX 1874

1910 Falls Co., TX Census

Alford W. Gum		30 m1 9	TX MS MS 1880
Lula	"	wife 49 m2 9 10 8	TX AL AL 1861; nee Roberts
Tarry	"	son 7 s	TX TX TX 1903
Erma	"	dau 4 s	TX TX TX 1906
Pauline	"	dau 2 s	TX TX TX 1908
Geo. Crawford		son 21 s	TX TX TX 1889
Mollie	"	dau 19 s	TX TX TX 1891
Isbele	"	son 15 s	TX TX TX 1895
Florence	"	dau 13 s	TX TX TX 1897
Sallie	"	dau 11 s	TX TX TX 1899
Carl Salton		Nep. 12 s	TX TX TX 1898

3. (2). SARAH A. ALFORD (Wm. B., Unknown), was born 7 July 1843, Monroe Co., AL; daughter of William B. Alford & Sarah A. Snowden. Uncle Harry said she m2 to a Gum? I find a Sarah Gum, b. 1843; died 8 March 1931; buried Lott, Falls Co., TX. Is this Sarah A.? m1 Montgomery Co., TX on 29 Apr. 1858, to Green Roberts¹⁹, born 1834 Monroe Co., AL; s/o Tyre Roberts & Rebecca Ray²⁰; died after 1880 in Falls Co., Texas. m2 _____ Gum? [Ed. Sarah is the sister of John Peachman listed at the top of pg. 37 in AAFA ACTION #53.] Children:

4. (1). Sarah Roberts, b. 1860 TX Montgomery Co., TX; d. ?.
4. (2). Benjamin Roberts, b. 1864 TX; m Sarah Biddle.
4. (3). Ella Roberts, b. 1867 TX; m Jim Sewell
4. (4). Lula Roberts, b. 5 July 1868; m1 ca 1888 Jube Crawford; m2 ca 1902 to Alfred W. Gum, b. 18 Nov. 1878; d. Aug. 1967 Houston, TX. SS#454-12-4000.²¹

Children:

5. (1). George Crawford, b. 1889 TX.
5. (2). Mollie Crawford, b. 1891 TX.
5. (3). Isabele Crawford, 1895, TX.
5. (4). Florence Crawford, b. 1897, TX.
5. (5). Sallie Crawford, b. 1899 TX.
5. (6). Tarry Gum, b. 1903 TX.
5. (7). Erma T. Gum, b. 1906 TX.
5. (8). Pauline Gum, b. 1908 TX.
4. (5). Sue Virginia Roberts, b. 9 May 1870, Port Lavaca, Calhoun Co., TX; m Henry Racom.
4. (6). Elizabeth Roberts, b. 1874 TX.

¹⁸ Social Security Death Index 1937-1995. Guy Gum b. 10 Nov. 1903; d. Jan. 1987, Marlin, Falls Co., TX; SS#467-28-5276.

¹⁹ Montgomery Co., TX Marriages. Bk 2 Pg. 74.

²⁰ P. Jayne Grote, 1914 Nuevo Rd., Henderson, NV 89014. (702)451-1426.

²¹ Social Security Death Index 1937-1995.

4. (7). Anna Lee Roberts, b. 9 Nov. 1875; d. 13 Oct. 1950; m David Allen Reneau.
 4. (8). Minnie Roberts, b. 1878 TX; m1 Alphonse Erkerbrach; m2 Newton Tucker.
 4. (9). Nettie Roberts, b. 1 July 1880; Falls Co., TX; m to Walter Gum, b. 1872; d. 1945 Houston, Harris Co., TX.
 Children:
 5. (1). Menda Gum, b. 1897 TX.
 5. (2). Irene Gum, b. 1899 TX.
 5. (3). Ades? Gum, b. 1901 TX.
 5. (4). Guy Gum, b. 10 Nov. 1903 TX; d. Jan. 1997 Marlin, Falls Co., TX.
 5. (5). Ruby Gum, b. 1907 TX.

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Jesse James vs Chauncey Alford

How many folks can you recall by name who stood face to face with Jesse James? Well, Chauncey Alford did.

Ronald H. Beights has been working on his *Jesse James and the First Missouri Train Robbery* for many years. I've corresponded with him about it at least three times since 1989. The subtitle is "*A Historical Documentation of the Train Raid at Gads Hill, Missouri, January 31, 1874.*"

Chauncey Alford was the conductor on the train and he plays a big part in the record of the account. Here's a quote from one of the 17 indexed Chauncey Alford parts:

"The conductor now stood facing the unfriendly muzzle of a cocked navy revolver. Its owner spoke in a "hoarse voice" and was described by Alford as a "huge six footer [whose] face was covered with a mask made of white cloth, with holes cut for his eyes and mouth." When a reporter asked if he had been frightened by this sudden confrontation with the masked gunman, Alford replied in his own humorous style, "Well, I reckon I was somewhat frightened: but he put me right at my ease—he comforted me."

What did he say?

"Stand still, or I'll blow the top of your d-----d head off."

"I stood still," Alford added.

Not a single life was lost in the raid and much credit for that was given to Alford's cool nature.

Aside from the role played by one of our Alfords—I found the book to be very interesting.

The softbound 206 page book contains an index, bibliography and notes as well as photographs and other illustrations. It was published this year by Pelican, 1000 Burmaster Street, Gretna, LA 70053 1-800-843-1724 and lists for \$14.95. Ronald says discount stores will sell it cheaper. You may order a signed copy from Ronald for \$14 which covers all costs including postage and handling. Order it from Ronald H. Beights, 1523 S. Tenth Street, Unit 218, St. Louis, MO 63104.