

Husband: **Asahel Alford #765**

Born: Nov 22 1760 in: Berkshire Co., MA  
 Baptized: in:  
 Died: Jun 25 1853 in: Columbia, Herkimer Co., NY  
 Buried: in: Columbia, Herkimer Co., NY  
 Other: in:  
 Ref: Occupation:  
 Father: Elijah Alford #735  
 Mother: Hannah Higley #740

He served in the War of the Revolution and received a pension from September 22, 1819 until his death - eight dollars per month. He did live for a while in Windham, Ohio but returned to New York before his death.

Massachusetts Soldiers and Sailors in the War of the Revolution

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Alford, Asahel, Becket, Private, Capt. Thomas Williams' Co., Col. John Paterson's (15th) regt.; muster roll dated Aug. 1, 1775; enlisted April 18, 1775; service, 13 days; also, company return (probably Oct. 1775); also, order for bounty coat or its equivalent in money, dated Camp No. 3, Charlestown, Nov 4, 1775; also list of deserters; age, 17 yrs.; stature, 5ft 8 in.; complexion, light, residence, Becket, deserted July 18 (year not given)

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Alford, Asahel, Becket. Return of men enlisted into Continental Army from Capt. Peter Porter's Co., 3d Berkshire Co. regt; enlistment, 3 years; also Private, Capt. Ashley's Co., Col Bose's regt' Continental Army pay accounts for service from Feb. 1, 1777 to Dec. 31, 1770; marched to Peekskill; also, muster roll dated Camp at Valley Forge, Jan. 6, 1778; reported sick at Becket; also, pay abstracts for Jan., March and April 1779, dated Quarters at Providence; also, Capt. Hancock's Co., Col Vose's regt.; Continental Army pay accounts for service from Jan. 1, 1780 to Feb. 1, 1780.

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Will was extracted from book of Wills, Columbia, Herkimer Co., NY, Vol. J, P. 217

Will Dated: 05 APR 1848 Will Proved: 13 MAR 1854

\*\*\*\*\* ASAHEL ALFORDS ESTATE

HERKIMER County Surrogates Office

In the matter of proving the will of Asahel ALFORD deceased as a will of Real and personal property.

Seth BURGESS of the town of Palemo in the County of Oswego being duly sworn and

examined doth depose and Testify That he was acquainted with Asahel ALFORD now deceased in his life time. That this deponent saw the said Asahel ALFORD subscribe the instrument now shown to the deponent purporting to be the last will and testament of the said Asahel ALFORD bearing date the Fifth day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty eight and that the said Asahel ALFORD at the same time declared the said instrument to be his last will and testament And that the deponent together with Wilber D. ARMSTRONG the other subscribing witness to said will subscribed his name as a witness at the request of the said deceased. And that the said will was executed by the deceased in the presence of all of said witnesses and was attested by all of said witnesses at the time it was executed. And in the presence of the testator and of each other. And at the time that same was executed the decease was of full lawful age and of sound mind and memory and not under restraint to the best of the deponents knowledge and belief And this deponent further saith that he was well acquainted with Wilbur D. ARMSTRONG the other subscribing witness to the will and with his manner and style of writing And that the signature Wilber D. ARMSTRONG signed as a witness to the paper purporting to be the will of Asahel ALFORD is the genuine hand writing of the said Wilber D. ARMSTRONG this deponent having seen write his name to the same And that said ARMSTRONG resides out of the State of New York.

Seth BURGESS

Sworn examined and subscribed This 13th day of March AD1843 Ezra GRAVES  
Surrogate

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WILL

State of New York Herkimer County Ss

I Asahel ALFORD of the town of Columbia in said County by this my last will and testament do will and bequeath to my five daughter (Viz) Lydia AMES, Polly AYLESWORTH, Belinda ALFORD, Chloe ORENDORF & Zeruah ORENDORT all my estate personal or real to be divided equally between them but in any one or more should not survive me then in such case it shall be equally divided among the rest so that it shall be equally shared by those of them who shall survive me In testimony where of I have this 5th day of April one thousand eight hundred and forty eight at Columbia aforesaid in the presence of the undersigned attesting witnesses here unto set my hand and seal.

Asahel ALFORD L.S.

The said Testator at the time of making the said subscription declaring the above instrument so subscribed to be his last will and testament requesting each of us whose names are here unto subscribed to place them at the end of this will which he now declares to be his last will and testament which we have done in accordance with said request.

Seth BURGESS Columbia W. D. ARMSTRONG Litchfield

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State of New York County of Herkimer Surrogates Office Ss

Be it remembered that on the day of the date here of the last will and testament of Asahel ALFORD late of Columbia in the county of Herkimer deceased being the foregoing written instrument was duly proved before Ezra GRAVES Surrogate of the said County according to law as and for the last will and testament of the real and personal estate of said deceased which said last will and testament and the proofs examinations taken thereon are recorded in the office & testimony whereof the surrogate of the said County hath hereunto set his hand and affixed his seal of office this thirteenth day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty four.

Ezra GRAVES Surrogate

I certify the foregoing to be a true record of the Original Will of Asahel ALFORD and the proofs taken thereon March 13 1854

Ezra GRAVES

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Cemetery at Cedarville, Herkimer Co. in the town of Litchfield near the Columbia town line film 836759

Asahel Alford d. 6/25/1853 at 92 years 7 months Lydia his wife d. 3/18/1837 at 64 years Belinda d. 4/12/1871 at 74 Cyrus d. 8/4/1875 at 75 Clarinda Harris his wife d. 8/5/1893 81 yrs 8 m 24 d Sylvester son of Cyrus & Clarinda d 4/28/1833 3yrs 8 m Edward d. Sept. 11, 1855 at 27 yrs 24 d George C. d 5/31/1844 at 22 yrs 9 m 23 d Oscar W. b 8/10/1840 d. 12/21/1917 Little Claris dau of Oscar & Cassie Alford d. 7/16/1870 at 3 yrs4 months 24 days May I dau of Oscar and Cassie

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Pension File

Asahel Alford - Mass - Number S45184

Inscribed on the Roll of Ohio at the rate of 8 Dollars per month to commence on the 22 of September 1819 Certificate of Pension issued the 30 of May 1821 and sent to Elias Harman, judge, Ravenna, Ohio

Request of transfer from Ohio to New York

On the 6 of May 1822 Asahel appeared in stating he was a resident in the town of Columbia, Herkimer County, New York. He state that his family consists of my wife Lydia, sixty two years old, a daughter Milinda about thirty years old, a cripple and scarcely able to support herself, and my self. I am infirm, subject to rheumatic complaints and have no occupation but that of a laborer.

Personal proberly amounting to \$45.00

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Surrogate of the County of Herkimer 24 January 1854

Petition of Zeruah Orendorf of the town of Columbia in the county of Herkimer, respectfully represnts , That your petitioner is a daughter of Asahel Alford late of the town of Columbia in the county of Herkimer, deceased and is one of the legalice ? names in the last will and testament of said deceased, which is herewith presented to the Surrogate by Seth Burgess am of the subscribing witness to the will and your petitioner prays that such proceedings may be had thereon, that the same may be admitted to probate as a will of personal property and may be proved and recorded as a will of real property. And your petitioner further represents that the said Asahel Alford died at his own residence in the town of Columbia in the county of Herkimer on or about the twenty fifth day of June 1853 leaving personal property in the county of Herkimer, and leaving no widow but the following children: Cyrus Alford, Belinda Alford and your petitioner who reside in Columbia, Herkimer Co., Polly Aylesworth who resides in Chautauqua County, New York, Chloe Orendorf who resides in Rome, Oneida Co., New York, and the following grandchildren:Pierce, Jane Arms who reside in Columbia, Herkimer Co., New York, Sally Beebe and Adelina Dixon who reside in Virginia, Edward Alford and Clarinda Tyler who reside in Columbia, Herkimer Co., New York, Albert Alford, Sanford Alford, Fayette Alford, Samantha Hurlbut, Lydia Hurlbut, Clarinda Alford, Emeline Dixon residence unknown and Alzah Slade who resides in Litchfield, Herkimer Co., New York

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Census

1790 Massachusetts - Berkshire Co Asahel Alford 1-2-3-0-0

1800 Warren Herkimer Co., NY Asahel Alford 21010-21110-00

1820 - Herkimer New York 1 male 16-26 1 male over 45 1 female 16-26 1 female 26-45 1 female 45 + Asahel Jr. Alford 2 males u 10 1male 45+ 1 female u 10 1 female 45+ Brewster Alford 1 male 45+ 2 females u 10 1 female 16-26 1 female 45+

1830 Columbia, Herkimer Co. Asahel Alford 1 male 60-70  
1 female 60-70 1840 Columbia, Herkimer Co., NY Pensioner Asahel Alford age 79

1850 Columbia, Herkimer Co. Cyrus Alford 49 b. NY Clarinda 38 Cornelia 19  
Wilbur 9 Asael 90

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Herkimer Co. Deeds

Vol 22 pg 45 Asahel Alford to Brewster Alford 1829 Vol 26 pg 73 Asahel Alford to Cyrus Alford 1831 Vol 26 pg 74 " 1831 Vol 22 pg 45 5/3/1824 Between Asahel Alford Jr. of Columbia and Anna his wife and Brewster Alford of the same town for \$1020 part of lot #13 in the second tract of Staleys patent on a line of Asahel Alford Sr. land containing 75 acres Vol 26 pg 73 11/7/1817 Between Asahel Alford of Columbia, Herkimer Co. and Cyrus Alford for \$2580 westerly half of lot 20 containing 125 acres. Also tract containing 4 acres part of lot 13. Vol 26 pg 74 - 7/7/1830 between Asahel Alford of Columbia and Cyrus Alford of same place for \$400 - lot 13 containing 3 acres.

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List of Jurors 1813, Town of Columbia - History of Herkimer Co., NY - George Hardin

Asahel Alford

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Marriage records of Reformed Church of Columbia 1825-1828 Columbia Center Herkimer Co. - Org 1798

Jan. 23, 1828 John Dixon & Sally Alford

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Buried in the town of Litchfield, Columbia, Herkimer Co., NY

Wife: <b>Lydia</b> _____ #817 Married: _____ in: _____ Ceremony: _____ Divorced/Annulled/Separated: _____ Year: _____		
Born: 1773 in: _____ Baptized: _____ in: _____ Died: Mar 18 1837 in: Cedarville, Herkimer Co., NY Buried: _____ in: _____ Other: _____ in: _____ Ref: _____ Occupation: _____ Father: _____ Mother: _____		
1 F <b>Lydia Alford</b> #940	Born: Feb 28 1783 Died: _____ Buried: _____	Berkshire Co., MA
2 F <b>Polly Alford</b> #941 sp. John Aylesworth #10399	Born: Mar 6 1785 Married: _____ Died: _____ Buried: _____	Berkshire Co., MA

3 M <b>Asahel Alford</b> #942 sp. Anna Austin #5124	Born: Jan 27 1787      Becket, Berkshire Co., MA Married: Died: Nov 15 1838      Watson, Lewis Co., NY Buried:
4 M <b>Brewster Alford</b> #943	Born: Jan 14 1789      Berkshire Co., MA Died: Buried:
5 F <b>Malinda Alford</b> #944	Born: Feb 12 1791      Berkshire Co., MA Died: Apr 12 1871 Buried:
6 F <b>Chloe Alford</b> #945	Born: Feb 17 1793      Berkshire Co., MA Died: Buried:
7 ? <b>Zervia Alford</b> #946 sp. Conrad Orendorff #10400	Born: Dec 10 1797      Berkshire Co., MA Married: Died: Buried:
8 M <b>Cyrus Alford</b> #947 sp. Clarinda Harris #1051	Born: 1801 Married: Died: Aug 04 1875 Buried:
9 F <b>Sally Alford</b> #10401 sp. John Dixon #10402	Born: ABT 1802 Married: Jan 23 1828      Reformed Church of Herkimer Co., NY Died: Buried: