

**Known Descendants of
Charles Alford
1790 NC - 1858 IL**

[This is a work in progress and is not complete and may contain some error. Use it accordingly. The fifth and sixth generations were removed in an effort to protect the living.]

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1. **Charles Alford** #956 b. Sep 30 1790, North Carolina, ref: CHA790NC, m. **Mary Elizabeth Tipton** #957, b. Jun 30 1795, Tennessee, d. Feb 18 1863, Palmyra, Macoupin Co, IL. Charles died Mar 17 1858, Palmyra, Macoupin Co, IL, buried: Old Union Cem., Macoupin Co., IL.

The following was extracted from a July 2, 1976 letter written by James "Jim" Alford of Soquel, CA to Mrs. Sarah MeEachern AAFA #0053. Jim, though not a member of AAFA did attend the 1997 meeting in Pleasanton, CA.

"Recently when I was in the San Francisco Library I came upon a book of family bibles in Tennessee. I am doing Alford family research myself and was pleased to find pages of a Bible copied from one belonging to Carl Alford from Lenoir City, Tennessee.

"My great great grandfather Charles Alford lived near Philadelphia, Tenn which at that time (1840-1850) was part of Roane County.

"I noticed that many of the Alford names listed in the Bible also appear in my family, such as Charles, Benjamin, Mary, Martha, William and Robert.

"I found in the 1850 census for Roane County, Tenn., John Alford, age 64, and his wife Jane, age 58, both from North Carolina. They had five children, Luisa, Thomas, Margaret, Rebecca and Alexander, all born in Tennessee. Was this family related to you? My great great grandfather Charles also lived in Roane Co at that time. He was 61 years old and was also from North Carolina. I think he and John were brothers although I have no proof of that. Charles had a daughter named Rebecca also, and a son William Alexander. My grandfather was Thomas Alford so again there is a similarity in names.

"From what I've been able to discover in records, Charles Alford left North Carolina shortly after 1800 and settled in East Tennessee. I think he had 2 brothers John and William. At different times he lived in Knox, Sevier, Monroe and Roane Counties. He lived in Limestone Co., Alabama between 1820-1830 where my great grandfather Matthew was born, but moved back to East Tennessee where he lived until 1850 near Philadelphia. About 1850 several of the Alfords moved to Macoupin Co., Southern Illinois to continue farming. My great grandfather Matthew left Illinois about 1863 and settled here in Northern California."

A copy of Sarah's response is not available but on July 28, 1976 Jim wrote her another letter from which the following was taken:

"First I'll try to supply the information you asked for regarding Charles and Matthews' children. My great great grandfather Charles Alford and Mary Tipton Alford had seven children. They were:

William - wife Jane Riddle, died in Macoupin Co. Illinois; John C. - wife Sarah Maddy, died Macoupin Co. Ill; Matthew Nelson - wife Martha C. Young, died Hayward Calif 1868; Mashack T - (see attached Biography [extracted elsewhere in this record]); Robert moved to Arlington, Texas from Macoupin Co., Ill between 1860-1870; Rachael Rebecca - married George Riddle; Sarah married B. S. Riley.

"My great grandfather Matthew Nelson Alford married Martha O. Young in McMinn Co. Tenn in 1848. They had six children. They were: Charles killed Battle of Shiloh 1862; William Alexander - Shot & Killed San Francisco 1892 (attached newspaper account [copy not available to AAFA]); John Wesley - Policeman - Shot and Killed Watsonville, Calif 1897; Julia Evaline - died Marysville Calif 1931; Thomas Newton (grandfather) died Santa Cruz, Calif 1928; Richard Gates - died Hayward Calif age 1 1/2 years.

"Could your grandfather Charles Franklin Alford have been named for Charles Frank Alford who died in Macoupin Co., Illinois? I have attached a military record showing Charles F. Alford, born in Georgia, 18 years of age, enlisted into the Civil War from Macoupin County. [not included], You said that your grandfathers' brother Alex lived in Georgia. Could there be a connection there?

"Was your great grandfather Robert Cannon Alford named after Robert Cannon? My g. g. grandfather Charles and Robert Cannon appear as witnesses on a Knox Co deed in 1808. On a later Roane County property transaction, and finally as neighbors on the 1850 census of Roane County.

"On the early East Tennessee Tax lists (1801-1820), John Alford appears being taxed for property on Town Creek which is not far from the property that Charles Alford and Robert Cannon were witness to. Could he have been related to Charles?

"I have no further information on Limestone County, Alabama other than the fact that Charles Alford and his father-in-law Meshack Tipton appear on the 1819-1820 census.

"I couldn't locate Robert C. Alford on the 1850 Roane Co Census. I will check further in other counties and see if I can locate him."

The following was extracted from a June 16, 1979 letter written by Thomas J. "Jack" Alford of Knoxville, TN:

"Great great grandfather Charles was born in North Carolina in 1887 [marked through and replaced with 1789]. He and a brother or cousin John were located in Knox Co. Tenn in 1806. They later lived in Blount County. John moved to Roane County (later Loudon Co.) and Charles followed in 1830 after living in Alabama and Sevier County, Tenn. Great grandfather Robert was born in Philadelphia (Tenn) 1833. Charles moved to Palmara Co. Ill in 1850 and died 1858. Robert followed in 1856 and grandfather Robert was born in 1869. The family moved to Arlington, Texas in 1878 and back to Tennessee in 1880 after great grandfather Robert died. My father Paul was born at Hoods Landing near Kingston, Tenn in 1898 and I was born at Hoods Landing in 1928."

The following was submitted to "About Alford's" by Carl & Eva Larson in January 1983 (tabular format edited to narrative):

Charles Alford b. 10 Sep 1790 in North Carolina d Mar 17 1858 in Palmyra, Ill married Mary Tipton b Jun 30 1795 (Roane Co.?) Tenn d Feb 18 1863 Palmyra, Ill. Ch.: William B., Matthew Nelson, John C., Rachael R. Riddle, Meshack T., Robert, and Sarah Riley.

William D. Alford b Mar 17 1817 Tenn, d Jun 8 1892 Palmyra, Ill, m. (1) Jane Riddle b. Jul 17 1817 d. Apr 29 1852 (3) Minerva (Butcher) Wiley b Oct 9 1829 d Mar 9 1899. Ch.: 1st m; Mary Ann Weller, Martha Wood, Margaret Ross, Charles Frank, and William D.; 2nd m: Minerva Jane Conlee and Etta Mae (never married)

Minerva Jane Alford b Aug 27 1856 Macoupin Co., Ill d Mar 7 1932 Macoupin Co m William Thomas Conlee b Sep 24 1849 Morgan Co., Ill d. Feb 18 1931 Macoupin Co. Ill. Ch.: Oliver Burton, Ida Mae Johnson, Mary Florence Anderson, Alva Elmer, and Lula Jane Coffee. [plus two more generations.]

Mary: Probably born in what was to become Roane County in 1801.

Children:

- + 2. i **John C. Alford** #982 b. about 1814.
- + 3. ii **William Donald Alford** #963 b. Mar 17 1817.
- + 4. iii **Matthew Nelson Alford** #981 b. about 1819.
5. iv **Rachael Rebecca Alford** #983 b. 1824, ref: rac821tn, m. Feb 25 1841, in Roane Co., TN, **George F. Riddle** #1033. Rachael died 1877. Hunting for Bears, Inc lists the marriage as Feb 25, 1841 while the LDS-IGI shows married Mar 11 1841.
6. v **Serena R. Alford** #5868 b. about 1825, Tennessee. It is not certain that she was a child of this family but she and her family lived near Robert in 1860 Macoupin Co., IL and her brothers three year old son, George M. Alford, was enumerated with her family.
7. vi **Riddle Alford** #984.
- + 8. vii **Meshack Tipton Alford** #958 b. May 23 1828.
- + 9. viii **Robert F. Alford** #985 b. Jan 28 1833.
10. ix **Sarah Elizabeth Alford** #986 b. 1837, m. **B. S. Riley** #1034.

Second Generation

2. **John C. Alford** #982 (1.Charles¹) b. about 1814, Tennessee, m. Mar 9 1835, in Roane Co., TN, **Sarah Maddy** #1015, b. about 1814, Tennessee, d. Macoupin Co., IL. John died Macoupin Co., IL. In 1850 he was 36 TN; Sarah 36 TN; William H. 10 TN; Mary E. 9 TN; Rachael R. 7 TN; Emily B. 6 TN & Matthew M. 2 IL.

Children:

11. i **William H. Alford** #1016 b. about 1839, Tennessee, m. 1873, in Macoupin Co., IL, **Nancy Melvina Hollingsworth** #3538, b. Jul 1836. William died Claiborne Co., TN, buried: Yoakum Chapel Cem, Claiborne Co. TN. William was in Co A 32nd IL Infantry. He enlisted Aug 27 1861 in Palmyra. He reenlisted January 2, 1864 in Natchez MS where he had served most of his duty as a teamster with the regimental ordnance train. The cemetery is in Speedwell.

Nancy: Nancy was previously married to Joab Fortner who died 1862 in Kentucky.

They had two small children - Sally and John. William Alford became their legal guardian.

12. ii **Mary E. Alford** #1017 b. about 1841, Tennessee.
 13. iii **Rachael R. Alford** #1018 b. about 1843, Tennessee.
 14. iv **Emily B. Alford** #1019 b. about 1844, Tennessee.
 15. v **Matthew M. Alford** #1020 b. about 1848, Illinois.
3. **William Donald Alford** #963 (1.Charles¹) b. Mar 17 1817, Tennessee, ref: WIL817TN+, m. (1) Dec 18 1840, in Monroe Co., TN, **Jane Riddle** #964, b. Jul 17 1817, d. Apr 29 1852, Macoupin Co., IL, m. (2) **Minerva Butcher** #987, b. Oct 9 1829, d. Mar 9 1899. William died Jun 8 1892, Palmyra, Macoupin Co, IL. In 1860 he was listed as "Alfred." He 43 TN, Minerva 30 IL, Margaret 15 TN, Charles F. 12 TN, William D. 9 TN, Minerva J. 4 IL, Elter M. 3 mo IL.

Minerva: Minerva apparently was previously married to a Wiley. Three children in the family in 1860 were named Wiley. Census, 1860, IL, Macoupin Co

Children by Jane Riddle:

- + 16. i **Mary Ann Alford** #965 b. Oct 7 1841.
 17. ii **Martha Alford** #991 m. _____ **Wood** #995.
 18. iii **Margaret Alford** #992 b. about 1845, Tennessee, m. _____ **Ross** #996.
 19. iv **Charles Frank Alford** #993 b. May 8 1848, Tennessee, d. Apr 15 1922.
 - + 20. v **William D. Alford** #994 b. Dec 28 1850.
- Children by Minerva Butcher:)*
- + 21. vi **Minerva Jane Alford** #988 b. Aug 27 1856.
 22. vii **Etta Mae Alford** #989 b. May 1860, Illinois. Etta Mae never married.

4. **Matthew Nelson Alford** #981 (1.Charles¹) b. about 1819, Alabama, ref: MAT819AL, m. Jul 2 1848, in McMinn Co., TN, **Martha C. Young** #1037, b. Aug 28 1821, Tennessee, d. May 21 1898, Watsonville, Santa Cruz Co., CA. Matthew died 1868, Hayward, Alameda Co., CA. In 1850 he was 31; Martha 29, Charles 7 and Infant 1 month. In 1860 he was "extracted" as Martha N. 41 AL, Martha C. 38 TN, Charles 17 TN, William F. 10 TN, John H. 7 IL, Julia E. 5 IL & Thomas N. 5 months IL. Census, 1850, Tennessee, Roane Co Census, 1860, Illinois, Macoupin Co
- Martha:** [?? Date of marriage and birth of Charles are not compatible. ??]

Children:

23. i **Charles Alford** #1021 b. about 1843, Tennessee, d. 1862, Shiloh.
24. ii **William Alexander Alford** #1022 b. about 1850, Tennessee, d. 1892, San Francisco, San Francisco Co., CA. He was shot and killed.
- + 25. iii **John Wesley Alford** #1023 b. Mar 18 1853.
26. iv **Julia Evaline Alford** #1024 b. about 1855, Illinois, d. 1931, Marysville, Yuba Co., CA.
27. v **Thomas Newton Alford** #1025 b. Mar 1860, Illinois, d. 1928, Santa Cruz Co., CA.
28. vi **Richard Gates Alford** #1038. He died at age 1 1/2 years.

8. **Meshack Tipton Alford** #958 (1.Charles¹) b. May 23 1828, Sevier Co., TN, ref: MES828TN, m. (1) May 2 1849, in Roane Co., TN, **Sarah Rebecca Edwards** #959, b. Jan 17 1831, Roane Co., TN, d. Jun 26 1869, Macoupin Co., IL, buried: Old Union Cem, Palmyra, Macoupin Co. IL, m. (2) Nov 28 1869, in Scottville, Macoupin Co., IL, **Susan Mary Searcy** #962, b. Aug 14 1846, Spencer Co., KY, (daughter of Fielding Hyatt Searcy #1035 and Sarah Miller #1036) d. Aug 30 1926, Macoupin Co., IL, buried: Miller Cemetery, Macoupin Co. IL. Meshack died Apr 28 1905, Macoupin Co., IL, buried: Old Union Cem, Palmyra, Macoupin Co. IL.

In 1860 his family included himself 32 TN, Rebecca 28 TN, Wm 11 TN, Charles F. 9 TN, Robert 4 IL, Benj Franklin 2 IL. Son George W. must have died by the census date.

In 1880 his family included himself 52 TN, Susanah 33 KY, Robert 24 IL, Caleb 11 IL, Sarah 8 IL, Martha 7 IL, Rose 5 IL and Bertha 2 IL.

In 1900 his family included himself b May 1828 TN, Susan M. Aug 1846 KY, Bertha L. Apr 1878, Joseph Jan 1880, John S. Feb 1882 and Cleveland Nov 1887.

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

[From "History of Macoupin Co., IL 1763-1879"

M. T. ALFORD

This gentleman, a view of whose farm and residence appears on another page, is a native of Sevier county, Tennessee, where he was born May 22, 1828. His ancestors were from North Carolina. His father was Charles Alford and his mother's maiden name was Mary Tipton. Mr. Alford was the fifth of a family of seven children. His birth-place was on Little Pigeon river in Sevier county, and when about a year old, his father moved to Roane county, Tennessee. He settled two miles from the town of Philadelphia, in what is known as the Sweetwater valley, where he was raised.

He had very poor advantages in the way of obtaining an education. His father was the owner of considerable land, but kept his children at work, instead of sending them to school. Mr. Alford attended school only a few months, and the most of the instruction he received was imparted by his father, who was a man of considerable knowledge and information. He was brought up to the habits of industry, and has always known what it was to work. He remained at home until his marriage, which occurred in May, 1849 to Rebecca Edwards, who was born and raised in Roane county, Tennessee. He removed to Illinois the next year after his marriage, (1850) and settled in the North Palmyra township.

He rented land until February 3d, 1861, at which time he purchased sixty acres, in Scottville township, where he lived until March, 1865, when he moved to the place where he now lives, in section 30, North Palmyra township. He owns 280 acres, three eighties of which lie in section 19, twenty in section 30, and twenty in section 29. He has been one of the substantial farmers of Palmyra township.

His first wife died in June, 1869. His second marriage occurred November, 1869, to Susan M. Sercy, who was born in Spencer county, Kentucky, and was the daughter of Fieldon H. Sercy. He has nine children William, Charles, Robert, Benjamin, Caleb, Martha, Rosa and Bertha. The last five are by his second wife.. William went to Kansas in the spring of 1879, where he is now engaged in farming. Charles is farming in Scottville township.

Mr. Alford was raised an old line whig, and cast his first vote for president for Scott, in 1852. Afterwards he became a democrat. Mr. Alford is a man who stands well in his community, and is one whose name deserves a place in this work. His father came to Scottville township in 1850 and died there in 1858. His mother died there a year or two later.

- from a yet unidentified book. The page or section title was "BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES."

Children by Sarah Rebecca Edwards:

- 29. i **William Calvin Alford** #1030 b. about 1849, Tennessee, occupation Farmer, m. **Louella Helmick** #3466. He went to Kansas in Spring of 1879.
- + 30. ii **Charles F. Alford** #1031 b. Apr 1850.
- 31. iii **George W Alford** #3468 b. Mar 26 1853, d. Jul 12 1855.
- + 32. iv **Robert E. Alford** #960 b. Oct 21 1855.
- 33. v **Benjamin Franklin Alford** #1032 b. Dec 29 1858, Illinois, d. Feb 9 1880, buried: Steedly Cemetery.
- 34. vi **Margaret Jane Alford** #3469 b. Feb 25 1863, d. Mar 19 1864.
- 35. vii **Samuel L. Alford** #3470.
- 36. viii **Mary E Alford** #3471.
- + 37. ix **Caleb C."Cap' Alford** #1051 b. Mar 8 1869.
Children by Susan Mary Searcy:)
- + 38. x **Sarah Rebecca Alford** #1052 b. Jul 14 1871.
- + 39. xi **Martha Alford** #1053 b. May 2 1873.
- + 40. xii **Rose P. Alford** #1054 b. May 26 1875.
- + 41. xiii **Bertha Louise Alford** #1055 b. Apr 24 1878.
- + 42. xiv **Joseph Liston Alford** #3523 b. Jan 30 1880.
- + 43. xv **John S. Alford** #3524 b. Feb 20 1884.
- + 44. xvi **Cleveland "Cleve" H. Alford** #3525 b. Nov 22 1887.

9. **Robert F. Alford** #985 (1.Charles¹) b. Jan 28 1833, Philadelphia, Monroe Co., TN, ref: ROB833TN, m. May 20 1849, in Roane Co., TN, **Alsa Evans** #1026, b. Jun 13 1832, Cocke Co., TN, buried: Bowman/Bowers Cem., Roane Co., TN. Robert died Dec 24 1887, Caldwell, Burleson Co., TX, buried: Texas. See separate article about Robert Alford murdered in Caldwell, TX
CENSUS:

1860, Aug 10, Palmyra PO (T11N R8W), Macoupin Co., IL, page 156, house 1144, family 1094. Robert M 27 TN \$60 real and \$175 personal property- farming, Alcy 27 F TN, William T. M 6 TN, Sarah E. F 4 TN.

1870, June 6, Carlinville, Macoupin, Co., IL, page 163, dwelling 267, family 286. Robert 37 M TN day laborer, Alcy 36 F TN KH, William 16 M TN, Sarah 14 F TN, George 12 M TN, Patrick 9 M IL, Rachel 7 F IL, Susan 6 F IL, Ellan 3 F IL, Robert 2 M IL. Willilam thru Rachel attended school during the census year. The family moved to Arlington, Tarrant County, Texas about 1860-70 and was enumerated there in 1880. Census, 1860, IL, Macoupin Co Death date is probable and place approximate and both depend on the R. Alford murdered there by Mexicans to be this person. - per J.J. Johnson #1189

Alsa: An earlier date of May 17 was used but the source has not been identified. The LDS-IGI has the date of May 20.

Children:

- 45. i **William T. Alford** #1027 b. about 1854, Tennessee.
- 46. ii **Sarah Alford** #1028 b. about 1856, Tennessee.
- 47. iii **George M. Alford** #1029 b. about 1857, Tennessee.
- + 48. iv **Patrick Mason Alford or J. W. Johnson** #5865 b. Jul 20 1860.
- 49. v **Rachel Alford** #5867 b. about 1863, Illinois.
- 50. vi **Susan Alford** #1039 b. about 1865, Illinois.
- 51. vii **Evaline Alford** #1040 b. about 1867, Illinois.
- + 52. viii **Robert H. Alford** #1041 b. Apr 1868.

- 53. ix **Charles Parks Alford** #10951 b. Oct 23 1870, d. Aug 27 1877, Tarrant Co., TX, buried: Watson Cem., Arlington, Tarrant Co. TX.
- 54. x **Minnie Louella Alford** #1042 b. about 1874, Illinois.
- 55. xi **Ida Mae Alford** #1043 b. about 1875, Illinois.

Third Generation

16. **Mary Ann Alford** #965 (3.William², 1.Charles¹) b. Oct 7 1841, Monroe Co., TN, m. Jan 9 1859, in Macoupin Co., IL, **John M. Weller** #966, b. 1835, Illinois. Mary died Dec 23 1908, Macoupin Co., IL.

John: In 1880 he was a farmer with asthma.

Children:

- 56. i **Eliza Weller** #967.
 - 57. ii **George Weller** #968.
 - 58. iii **Sarah Ann Weller** #969 b. 1864, Illinois.
 - 59. iv **William A. Weller** #970 b. 1868, Illinois.
 - 60. v **Margaret P. Weller** #971 b. 1869, Illinois. Margaret was the great grandmother of AAFA member #0468 Keith E. Morehead. He's never provided any other information on his ancestors.
 - 61. vi **Thomas Benton Weller** #972 b. 1872, Illinois.
 - 62. vii **Martha E. Weller** #973 b. 1876, Illinois.
20. **William D. Alford** #994 (3.William², 1.Charles¹) b. Dec 28 1850, Near Lowden, TN, m. (1) Mar 8 1877, **Mary E. Spires** #5954, d. Jun 16 1904, m. (2) Mar 14 1907, **Sarah E. Seymour** #5955. William died Mar 21 1917, Near Franklin, buried: Providence M.E. Church Cem.

The source for the following obituary was very poor with the characters, particularly numbers, very blurred. There may have been some error in transcribing.

Macoupin County Enquirer
 Carlinville, IL March __ 1917
 Obituary

William D. Alford was born near Lowden, Tenn., Dec. 28 1850, and fell asleep in Jesus, March 21, 1917, at his home in Franklin.

He was the youngest child of William and Jane Riddle Alford. He came to Illinois with his parents at the age of six months. A few months after they came to Illinois the mother died. The father was so grief stricken he returned with the family of five children to his native stated in the wagon drawn by a yoke of oxen. Not being contented the father and family returned and settled near Palmyra. Here the deceased grew to manhood.

He was married to Mary E. Spires, March 8, 1877. To this nion was born five children, namely, Charles F. who died in infancy, Lela M. Ashland of Chicago, Frank L. of Indianapolis, Ind., Roy E. of Mapleton, North Dakota, and Ernest F. at home. the mother died June 18, 1904.

On March 14, 1907, he was married again to Sarah E. Seymour, who survives him.

Besides his sorrowing wife and children he leaves to mourn two grand-children, Anita Lucille Asplund and Mary Elizabeth Alford; one brother, C. F. Alford, Virden; two sisters, Martha Wood of Stockton, Mo; and Margaret Ross of Joliet; and one half-sister Jane Conlee of Carlinsville. His father, one sister, Mary Ann Millier, and one half sister, Etta M. Alford, preceded him in death.

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. W. E. Keenan at Providence M. E. Church, where he was laid to rest by the side of his wife and mother of the children. The pall-bearers were his nephews, W. T. Alford, O. B. Conlee, Alva Conlee, Marion Spires, Otto Spires and Ross Seymour.

The floral offerings were many and beautiful and were in charge of Lila Seymour, Meta Darby, Olla Gibson, Rebecca Schebel and Della Spires.

Children by Mary E. Spires:

- 63. i **Charles E. Alford** #5956. Died as an infant.
- 64. ii **Lela M. Alford** #5957 m. _____ **Ashland** #5961.
- 65. iii **Frank L. Alford** #5958.
- 66. iv **Roy E. Alford** #5959.
- 67. v **Ernest F. Alford** #5960.

21. **Minerva Jane Alford** #988 (3.William², 1.Charles¹) b. Aug 27 1856, Macoupin Co., IL, m. **William Thomas Conlee** #990, b. Sep 24 1849, Morgan Co., IL, d. Feb 18 1931, Macoupin Co., IL. Minerva died Mar 7 1932, Macoupin Co., IL.

Children:

- 68. i **Oliver Burton Conlee** #997.
- 69. ii **Ida Mae Conlee** #998 m. _____ **Johnson** #1002.
- + 70. iii **Mary Florence Conlee** #999 b. Jan 27 1891.
- 71. iv **Alva Elmer Conlee** #1000.
- 72. v **Lula Jane Conlee** #1001.

25. **John Wesley Alford** #1023 (4.Matthew², 1.Charles¹) b. Mar 18 1853, Alton, Madison Co. IL, occupation Policeman, m. **Marie Elizabeth Kitchen** #2370, b. Dec 19 1862, Healdsburg, Sonoma Co., CA, (daughter of John Newton Kitchen #2384 and Sarah Anna Poe #2385) d. Mar 3 1930, San Bruno, San Mateo Co., CA. John died Feb 6 1897, Watsonville, Santa Cruz Co., CA. **Marie:** Partial note on pedigree form suggests birth may have been elsewhere.

Children:

- 73. i **Hattie Alford** #2390 b. about 1878.
- 74. ii **Edna Alford** #2391 b. about 1880.
- + 75. iii **Harry Newton Alford** #2371 b. Feb 15 1885.
- 76. iv **Fred Alford** #2386 b. Jan 1888, California.
- 77. v **Pearl Alford** #2388 b. Jun 1891.
- 78. vi **Wesley M. Alford** #2389 b. Aug 1897.

30. **Charles F. Alford** #1031 (8.Meshack², 1.Charles¹) b. Apr 1850, Tennessee, m. **Helena V. Rice** #3467, b. Dec 1853, Illinois. He moved to Clay County, Nebraska.

The family was enumerated in Clay Center City, Lone Tree Precinct, Clay Co, NE in 1900. Charles F. 50 4/1850 TN, Hellena V. 46 12/1853 IL, Ethel 21 1/1879 IL, Albert M. 18 4/1882 IL, Iva M. 11 10/1888 NE, Robert L. 8 11/1891 NE, Mabel 6 4/1894 NE.

There was no Soundex index of the 1910 NE census.

Charles and Helena were still in Clay co. in 1920 living alone on Brow Avenue in Clay Center City. Son Robert was married and enumerated in his home.

Children:

- 79. i **Ethel Alford** #5962 b. Jan 1879, Illinois.
- 80. ii **Albert M. Alford** #5963 b. Apr 1882, Illinois.
- 81. iii **Iva M. Alford** #5964 b. Oct 1888, Nebraska.
- + 82. iv **Robert L Alford** #5965 b. Nov 1891.
- 83. v **Mabel Alford** #5966 b. Apr 1894, Nebraska.

32. **Robert E. Alford** #960 (8.Meshack², 1.Charles¹) b. Oct 21 1855, Macoupin Co., IL, m. Mar 26 1884, in Macoupin Co., IL, **Mary Ellen Ballard** #961, b. Dec 12 1863, Macoupin Co., IL, (daughter of Wiley Ballard #1049 and Elizabeth Brodmarkle #1050) d. Nov 21 1935, Macoupin Co., IL. Robert died Oct 12 1929, Macoupin Co., IL, buried: Girard, Macoupin Co., IL.

The source of this biographical sketch is not known.

ROBERT E. ALFORD

A lifelong resident of Macoupin county, Robert E. Alford, of North Otter township, can claim intimate acquaintance with the resources of this section, and a well kept farm of more than four hundred and sixty acres is evidence of his good judgement and sound business ability. He was born October 21, 1855, a son of M.T. and Rebecca (Edwards) Alford, both of whom were natives of Tennessee. They arrived in Illinois in 1850. With nothing to depend upon but a good constitution and an indomitable will to make a creditable name for himself among his fellowmen, M. T. Alford lived to witness his early dreams realized. He became a leading farmer of Macoupin county and acquired three hundred and seventy-three acres, which yielded a generous annual harvest. The mother of our subject died in June, 1869, when he was thirteen years of age. In their family were nine children, namely: William, who is now living in southwestern Kansas; Charles F., of Clay county, Nebraska; George, who is deceased; Robert E., of this review; Benjamin F., who died in 1880; Martha, Samuel and Mary, all of whom have passed away; and Caleb C., who lives in Macoupin county. The father was again married, his second wife being Susan Mary Searasey, and by this union eight children were born: Sarah, the widow of William Vogel, who lived near Palmyra; Martha, who married John Angle, of Carlinville; Rosa, who is the wife of H. A. Whithorn and lives near Mount Ayr, Iowa; Joseph, of Nilwood, Illinois; John and Bertha, both of whom are deceased; Oliver Pritchett, of Kentucky; and Cleveland H. of Nilwood. The father of these children lived to an advanced age and died May 21, 1906.

Robert E. Alford attended the public schools and continued assisting his father upon the home farm until twenty-seven years of age. He then began renting land on his own account, starting with one hundred and eighty acres, but he increased his operations and cultivated two hundred and twenty acres for a number of years. At the end of eleven years he purchased two hundred acres which he later sold, and then bought one hundred and sixty acres on section 25, North Otter township, where he made his home since 1895, and to which he has added three hundred acres. He is a general farmer and stock-raiser and through good business management has prospered financially so that he now enjoys ease and comfort as the result of many years of wisely directed effort.

On the 26th of March, 1884, Mr. Alford was married to Miss Mary E. Ballard, a daughter of Wiley

and Elizabeth (Brodmarkle) Ballard. The father was a native of Illinois and the mother of Maryland. In their family were three children: John H., who is deceased; Mary, now Mrs. Robert E. Alford; and Charles W., who lives in Girard. One child, Alma B., has been born to Mr. and Mrs. Alford. She is the wife of Alvah O. England, of Macoupin county, and is now living at home with her parents, being the mother of one child, Maurine, who was born July 27, 1906.

Politically Mr. Alford gives his allegiance to the democratic party. He has taken the interest of an intelligent and wide-awake citizen in local affairs and for fourteen years has served as county supervisor, a position he has filled to the general satisfaction of taxpayers irrespective of their party affiliation. He has also held various other offices of responsibility, evincing a fidelity to trust that has gained for him many friends throughout the county. He is a staunch supporter of worthy causes and his religious belief is indicated by membership in the Methodist Church.

Children:

+ 84. i **Alma Bessie Alford** #975 b. Apr 29 1885.

37. **Caleb C. "Cap" Alford** #1051 (8.Meshack², 1.Charles¹) b. Mar 8 1869, Illinois, m. **Florence B. Foltz** #3474, b. Oct 16 1874, Illinois, d. Jul 4 1941, buried: Girard, Macoupin Co., IL. Caleb died Jun 19 1948.

Children:

+ 85. i **Dallas T. Alford** #3475 b. Sep 24 1895.

86. ii **Verna B. Alford** #3476 b. 1905, Illinois, m. _____ **Denby** #5952.

38. **Sarah Rebecca Alford** #1052 (8.Meshack², 1.Charles¹) b. Jul 14 1871, Macoupin Co., IL, m. Feb 12 1889, **William Adam Vogel** #1056, b. Aug 12 1861, Dayton, OH, d. Nov 20 1902, buried: Miller Cemetery, Macoupin Co. IL. Sarah died Mar 14 1954, buried: Miller Cemetery, Macoupin Co. IL. **William:** William Vogle information from death records, bk 2, page 11 per Ina Wallace AAFA 1026.

Children:

+ 87. i **Sidney Oliver Vogel** #5889 b. Sep 22 1891.

+ 88. ii **Clinton Orvel Vogel** #5890 b. Jun 10 1894.

89. iii **Hobart Lindley** #5891 b. Apr 10 1896, d. Jun 21 1983, buried: Miller Cemetery, Macoupin Co. IL.

39. **Martha Alford** #1053 (8.Meshack², 1.Charles¹) b. May 2 1873, Macoupin Co., IL, m. Dec 18 1895, **John T. Angel** #1057, b. Jan 5 1870, Nebo, IL, d. Feb 9 1960, buried: Mayfield Mem. Cem., Carlinville, IL. Martha died Dec 18 1952, buried: Mayfield Mem. Cem., Carlinville, IL.

Mrs. Martha A. Angel. Carlinville, Dec. 18--Mrs. Martha A. Angel, 79, wife of J. T. Angel, died at 10:45 a. m. Thursday at Carlinville Area hospital where she had been a patient for two months. Her death occurred on her 57th wedding anniversary. Mrs. Angel was born May 2, 1873, in Palmyra, a daughter of M. T. and Susan Mary Searcy Alford. In 1895 she was married to J. T. Angel, and they lived on the Angel farm west of town for 45 years. She was a member of Charity Baptist Church. Besides her husband she is survived by one son, Vernon, of St. Louis; three granddaughters, and one grandson; two sisters, Mrs. Sara Vogel of Palmyra, and Mrs. Rose Whithorn, Zephyr Hills, Fla.; one brother, Cleve Alford, of Girard. The body was removed to Wiese funeral home here where funeral services will be conducted at 1:30 p. m. Sunday. Rev. F. L. Crouch will officiate, assisted by Rev. Hugh Harding. Burial will be in Mayfield Memorial Cemetery.

John: When Martha died in 1952 John sold his farm. He advertised a public sale in the local paper and Ina Wallace, AAFA #1026 has supplied AAFA a copy.

Children:

+ 90. i **J. Vernon Angel** #5929.

40. **Rose P. Alford** #1054 (8.Meshack², 1.Charles¹) b. May 26 1875, Macoupin Co., IL, m. Feb ___ 1895, **Henry A. Whithorn** #1058. Rose died Apr 4 1955, Florida.

Children:

+ 91. i **Mildred Whithorn** #5931 b. Nov 15 1901.

41. **Bertha Louise Alford** #1055 (8.Meshack², 1.Charles¹) b. Apr 24 1878, Macoupin Co., IL, ref: ber878il, m. Jul 6 1901, in Macoupin Co., IL, **Oliver Cromwell Pritchett** #3478, b. Dec 7 1875, Lancaster, Kentucky, (son of John Dudley Pritchett #3479 and Patience Crow Hiatt #3480) d. Sep 24 1950, Graceland Cemetery, Decatur, Illinois. Bertha died Jan 23 1905, Macoupin Co., IL, buried: Miller Cemetery, Macoupin Co. IL.

Obituary

Bertha Louisa Pritchett (nee Alford), wife of O. C. Pritchett, was born April 24, 1878. Died Jan. 23, 1905, at her home near Scottville, Ill, from the effects of pneumonia fever.

She was united in marriage to O. C. Pritchett, July 6, 1901. To this marriage two children were born namely Tessie E. and Zala B.

She professed hope in Christ when quite young and united with the Palmyra Baptist church, May 7, 1893.

Bertha was of a lovable disposition, making friends wherever she went by her cheerful winning ways. She was a faithful wife, a kind mother and a good neighbor, always ready to do her duty when called upon.

She leaves to mourn her loss a husband, two children, an aged father and mother, three sisters, eight brothers, (one preceded her a number of years ago) and a host of other relatives and friends.

Funeral services were conducted at the residence Jan. 25, at one o'clock P. M., after which the remains were laid to rest in the Miller cemetery.

Mr. Pritchett wishes to extend his thanks to his friends and neighbors for their kindness to him during the sickness and burial of his wife, Bertha.

Children:

+ 92. i **Tessie Elizabeth Pritchett** #3481 b. May 17 1902.

+ 93. ii **Zala Belle Pritchett** #3482 b. Mar 21 1904.

+ 94. iii **John Dudley Pritchett** #3479.

42. **Joseph Liston Alford** #3523 (8.Meshack², 1.Charles¹) b. Jan 30 1880, Macoupin Co., IL, m. **Tessie M. Neece** #3526, b. Dec 14 1877, Illinois, d. Sep 1 1953, buried: Girard, Macoupin Co., IL. Joseph died Jul 4 1919, buried: Girard, Macoupin Co., IL. Joseph's will was probated and filed Aug 4, 1919, book K, page 73, Macoupin Co. IL

Children:

95. i **Marie M Alford** #3531 b. Jan 14 1906, Illinois, m. **Merle M. Walden** #5942, b. Nov 3 1903. Marie died Jun 25 1994, buried: Girard, Macoupin Co., IL.

43. **John S. Alford** #3524 (8.Meshack², 1.Charles¹) b. Feb 20 1884, Macoupin Co., IL, m. **Ada Doerfler** #3527, b. 1884, Illinois, (daughter of John Doerfler #3528) d. after 1960. John died May 14 1909, buried: Oak Hill Cemetery , IL. 1910 census has Jay Alford b1887 in home of John Doerfler.Dau. Ada Alford there,too. Administration Record Book K, page 6, states John lived in Nilwood, Macoupin, Co., IL

Children:

96. i **Alice Frances Alford** #3529 b. 1910, Illinois.

44. **Cleveland "Cleve" H. Alford** #3525 (8.Meshack², 1.Charles¹) b. Nov 22 1887, Near Palmyra, Macoupin Co., IL, m. Mar 30 1916, **Fay Cain** #3530, b. Jun 10 1890, (daughter of Oacar B. Cain #5944 and Fannie Parks #5945) d. Apr 18 1984, buried: Girard, Macoupin Co., IL. Cleveland died Feb 21 1964, buried: Girard, Macoupin Co., IL.

Children:

- + 97. i **Robert Eugene Alford** #5946 b. Apr 15 1920.

48. **Patrick Mason Alford or J. W. Johnson** #5865 (9.Robert², 1.Charles¹) b. Jul 20 1860, Palmyra TWP, Macoupin Co., IL, m. Sep 10 1885, in Pemiscot Co., MO, **Sarah Jane Anderson** #5866, b. Mar 13 1861, Kennett, Dunklin Co., MO, d. Nov 10 1898, West Line, Sevier Co., AR, buried: West Line Cemetery, Sevier Co., AR. Patrick died May 24 1934, De Queen, Sevier Co., AR, buried: West Line Cemetery, Sevier Co., AR. He changed his name from Alford to James William Johnson.

Children:

- + 98. i **Charles Parker Johnson** #5869 b. Jun 18 1892.

52. **Robert H. Alford** #1041 (9.Robert², 1.Charles¹) b. Apr 1868, Illinois, m. **Melinda** _____ #1044, b. Jul 1875, Tennessee, d. Jan 10 1910, Roane Co. TN.

Melinda: Enumerated and buried as "Linnie" and "Lynn timer"

Children:

99. i **Myra Alford** #1046 b. Dec 1895, Tennessee.
+ 100. ii **Paul Harper Alford** #1045 b. Aug 1898.

Fourth Generation

70. **Mary Florence Conlee** #999 (21.Minerva³, 3.William², 1.Charles¹) b. Jan 27 1891, Macoupin Co., IL, m. **David Prince Anderson** #1003, b. Aug 13 1871, Macoupin Co., IL, d. Jun 21 1939, St Louis, MO. Mary died Jul 18 1947, Carlinville, Macoupin Co., IL.

Children:

101. i **William Oral Anderson** #1004.
102. ii **Alva David Anderson** #1005.
103. iii **Oren Anderson** #1006. Oren died as an infant.
104. iv **Lola Anderson** #1007. Lola never married.
105. v **Robert Evan Anderson** #1008. Robert died as an infant.
106. vi **Mary Jane Anderson** #1009.
+ 107. vii **Eva Lorene Anderson** #1010 b. Apr 5 1919.
108. viii **Roy Everett Anderson** #1011. Roy died as an infant.

75. **Harry Newton Alford** #2371 (25.John³, 4.Matthew², 1.Charles¹) b. Feb 15 1885, Watsonville, Santa Cruz Co., CA, m. Jun 21 1905, in Los Gatos, Santa Clara Co., CA, **Sarah Lavina Purviance** #2372, b. Sep 6 1885, Peru, Nemaha Co., NE, (daughter of Warren Chambers Purviance #2382 and Elmyra Teresa Wyne #2383) d. Apr 17 1965, Los Gatos, Santa Clara Co., CA. Harry died Jun 11 1953, Chemekata Park, Santa Clara Co., CA.

Children:

- + 109. i **Warren Newton Alford** #2373 b. May 7 1906.
- 110. ii **Eugene William Alford** #2374 b. Oct 3 1908.
- 111. iii **Edward Leroy Alford** #2375 b. Jul 9 1911.
- + 112. iv **Dorothy Lavina Alford** #2376 b. Jul 21 1917.
- + 113. v **Kenneth Lee Alford** #2377 b. Apr 11 1921.
- + 114. vi **Elmyra Elizabeth Alford** #2378 b. Sep 29 1924.

82. **Robert L Alford** #5965 (30.Charles³, 8.Meshack², 1.Charles¹) b. Nov 1891, Nebraska, m. **Gladis G. _____** #5967, b. about 1892, Iowa.

Children:

- 115. i **Inis C. Alford** #5968 b. about 1913, Clay Co., NE.
- 116. ii **Melva R. Alford** #5969 b. about 1919, Clay Co., NE.

84. **Alma Bessie Alford** #975 (32.Robert³, 8.Meshack², 1.Charles¹) b. Apr 29 1885, North Otter Twp, Macoupin Co., IL, m. Jun 28 1905, in Macoupin Co., IL, **Alva O. England** #976, b. Jun 14 1883, Macoupin Co., IL, d. Dec 29 1941, Macoupin Co., IL. Alma died Sep 12 1977, Macoupin Co., IL, buried: Girard, Macoupin Co., IL.

Children:

- + 117. i **Maurine Mildred England** #977 b. Jul 30 1906.

85. **Dallas T. Alford** #3475 (37.Caleb³, 8.Meshack², 1.Charles¹) b. Sep 24 1895, Illinois, m. **Fae G. _____** #3477, b. Sep 7 1898, Illinois, d. Apr 26 1986. Dallas died Apr 5 1985, Clearwater, Pinellas Co., FL, buried: Girard, Macoupin Co., IL.

April 11, 1985

DALLAS ALFORD

Dallas Alford, 89, formerly of Girard, died at 10:10 a.m. Friday, April 5, in Clearwater, Florida.

Graveside services were held at 10:30 this morning (Thursday), April 11, at Girard Cemetery. Berry Funeral Home, Girard, was in charge of arrangements.

Surviving are his wife, Fae; one daughter, Betty Russell of Clearwater, Fla; three grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; one sister, Verna Denby of Girard.

Children:

- 118. i **Betty Alford** #5950 m. _____ **Russell** #5951.

87. **Sidney Oliver Vogel** #5889 (38.Sarah³, 8.Meshack², 1.Charles¹) b. Sep 22 1891, m. (1) Jul 19 1916, divorced 1941, **Ora Shearburn** #5892, b. Feb 2, m. (2) Feb 4 1944, **Lavina Meyer Ishmael** #5893, b. Feb 20 1898, d. Aug 10 1977. Sidney died Mar 11 1975.

Children by Ora Shearburn:

- + 119. i **Coy Dean Vogel** #5908 b. Jun 16 1919.
- + 120. ii **Virginia Louise Vogel** #5909 b. Sep 29 1921.
- + 121. iii **Wanda Maxine Vogel** #5910 b. Jul 14 1929.
- 122. iv **Harold Keith Vogel** #5911 b. Mar 12 1932.

88. **Clinton Orvel Vogel** #5890 (38.Sarah³, 8.Meshack², 1.Charles¹) b. Jun 10 1894, m. Dec 28 1915, **Pearl Thaxton** #5894, d. 1963. Clinton died Feb 4 1969.

Pearl: HAD HER BORN 1907 WHICH IS NOT CONSISTENT WITH MARRIAGE DATE

Children:

- 123. i **Thelma Vogel** #5895 b. Jan 1, m. **Arthur Brockman** #5897.
- + 124. ii **Estel W. Vogel** #5896 b. Sep 17 1927.

90. **J. Vernon Angel** #5929 (39.Martha³, 8.Meshack², 1.Charles¹) m. **Marie** _____ #5930.

Children:

- 125. i **Doris Ann Angel** #5925.
- 126. ii **Luella Ruth Angel** #5926.
- 127. iii **John William Angel** #5927.
- 128. iv **Verna Angel** #5928.

91. **Mildred Whithorn** #5931 (40.Rose³, 8.Meshack², 1.Charles¹) b. Nov 15 1901, m. Jun 25 1930, **Dolf Rosti** #5932, d. Jun 9 1996, buried: Cremated in Florida. Mildred buried: Cremated in Florida.

Children:

- + 129. i **Corinne Elizabeth Rosti** #5933 b. May 6 1931.
- + 130. ii **Priscilla Annette Rosti** #5934 b. Jul 31 1939.

92. **Tessie Elizabeth Pritchett** #3481 (41.Bertha³, 8.Meshack², 1.Charles¹) b. May 17 1902, Macoupin Co., IL, m. Jul 3 1924, **Walter Lee Sexton** #3483, b. Aug 4 1893, Tennessee, d. Mar 1 1965, Troy Missouri, buried: Troy City Cemetery, Troy, MO. Tessie died May 4, 1999, Troy, Lincoln Co., MO, buried: Troy City Cemetery.

TESSIE ELIZABETH PRITCHETT SEXTON

Tessie Sexton, 96 of Troy, Mo. died Tuesday, May 4, 1999 at the Troy Nursing and Rehab Center in Troy.

She was born May 17, 1902, in Scottville (Macoupin Co.) Il. to the late Oliver and Bertha Alford Pritchett. In 1924, she married Walter Sexton, who preceded her in death, on March 1, 1965. A brother John Pritchett also preceded her in death in March of 1993.

She is survived by one daughter, Audrey L. Mudd of St. Louis; four grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; three great-great-grandchildren and one sister Zala McCray of Paris, KY.

She was a Licensed Practical Nurse and managed Sunset Nursing Home in Troy. She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Troy and was active in TACOA.

Services were held at 10 a.m. May 7, at First Baptist Church, Troy, Mo. Interment followed in the

Troy City Cemetery. Kemper-Marsh Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Children:

+ 131. i **Audrey Laverne Sexton** #3484 b. Jun 2 1926.

93. **Zala Belle Pritchett** #3482 (41.Bertha³, 8.Meshack², 1.Charles¹) b. Mar 21 1904, Scottville, Macoupin Co., IL, m. Nov 24 1922, **Patrick Jefferson McCray** #3495, b. Apr 9 1900, Letcher Co., KY, (son of John McCray #3496 and Cordelia Bentley #3497) occupation Barber, d. Apr 19 1971, Berea, Madison Co., KY, buried: Berea Cemetery, Kentucky.

Children:

132. i **Harold Ray McCray** #3498 b. Dec 16 1924, Benham, Kentucky, m. Jan 1944, **Mary Lois Jones** #3502. Harold died Dec 6 1944. Killed in WW II (His body not recovered).
133. ii **Elma Derith McCray** #3499 b. Jan 27 1926, Berea, Madison Co., KY, m. (1) divorced, **William Harold Wells** #3503, m. (2) Aug 29 1981, **Arvel Layne** #3504. She married at least four times but we do not have the data to list all spouses. Apparenty Arvel Layne was her 4th.
134. iii **Warren Omer McCray** #3500 b. Jan 5 1928, Wolfpit, Kentucky, m. Oct 10 1954, **Deborah Mae Domina** #3505.
- + 135. iv **Ina Lois McCray** #3501 b. Feb 19 1930.

94. **John Dudley Pritchett** #3479 (41.Bertha³, 8.Meshack², 1.Charles¹) m. **Patience Crow Hiatt** #3480. John died Mar 1993. It has been assumed that the John Pritchett who married Patience is the same as the brother mentioned in Tessie's obituary.

Children:

+ 136. i **Oliver Cromwell Pritchett** #3478 b. Dec 7 1875.

97. **Robert Eugene Alford** #5946 (44.Cleveland³, 8.Meshack², 1.Charles¹) b. Apr 15 1920, m. Apr 8 1945, **Verna Kissinger** #5947, b. Nov 13 1920. Robert died Dec 17 1973.

Children:

137. i **Joseph L. Alford** #5948 b. Aug 1948.
138. ii **Mary Fay Alford** #5949 b. Feb 1951.

98. **Charles Parker Johnson** #5869 (48.Patrick³, 9.Robert², 1.Charles¹) b. Jun 18 1892, West Line, Sevier Co., AR, m. Jun 5 1912, in Chapel Hill, Sevier Co., AR, **Myrtle Lee Cassil** #5870, b. Jul 29 1893, Jamestown, Moniteau Co., MO, d. Mar 9 1984, Rubideaux, Riverside Co., CA, buried: Crestlawn Cem., Riverside, CA. Charles died Apr 10 1922, Wichita, Sedgwick Co., KS, buried: West Line Cemetery, Sevier Co., AR.

Children:

+ 139. i **James Howard Johnson** #5871 b. Jul 11 1914.

100. **Paul Harper Alford** #1045 (52.Robert³, 9.Robert², 1.Charles¹) b. Aug 1898, Tennessee, m. **Rose** _____ #1047.

Children:

140. i **Thomas J. "Jack" Alford** #1048 b. 1928, Hoods Landing, Roane Co., TN, m. **Mary Lois** _____ #2387.

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