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Euphamie Sally Bateman Stoewer

AAFA #0120

Charter Member

June 9, 1934 - March 20, 2018



Euphamie Sally Bateman Stoewer, a resident of Central, passed away on March 20, 2018. Sally was born on June 9, 1934 in Mt. Hermon and graduated from Mt. Hermon school. She was a veteran of the U.S. Air Force during the Korean Conflict and retired after 38 years with the Federal Civil Service. She was a member of the local American Legion Post 38 where she served on the Honor Guard and a past vice commander of the Orlando American Legion All Women's Post 227. She joined the American Red Cross at the age of 71 when Hurricane Katrina hit and volunteered until 2016.

Sally is survived by her husband of 64 years, Richard Stoewer; her children, Charles Stoewer (Pam), Cheryl Kinchen (Jack), and Teri Hruska (Bob); sisters, Pansy McClendon and Jeanne Singleton; and brothers, Truette Bateman and James Bateman. She is also survived by grandchildren, Justin Kinchen (Julieanne), Amanda Kinchen, Ryan Stoewer (Portia), Elena Hruska, Caroline Stoewer; great-grandchildren, Aurora and Zoe; and numerous nieces, nephews and friends.

Visitation will be held at Resthaven Funeral Home, Baton Rouge, LA on Sunday, March 25, 2018 from 5:00pm until 8:00pm. Visitation will resume on Monday, March 26, 2018 at Magnolia United Methodist Church, Greenwell Springs, LA from 9:00am until 10:30am with service at 11:00am. Burial will be at 1:30pm at Louisiana National Cemetery in Zachary.

In lieu of flowers please make donations to Magnolia United Methodist Church, St. Jude, or the American Diabetes Association.

Family and friends may sign the guestbook or leave a personal note to the family at www.resthavenbatonrouge.com.

Information copied from the [Resthaven Gardens of Memory & Funeral Home](#) web page.

Birth: 9 Jun 1934
Death: 20 Mar 2018 (aged 83)
Burial: Louisiana National Cemetery
Zachary, East Baton Rouge Parish, Louisiana, USA
Memorial ID: 188195014

Information copied from the [Find-A-Grave](#) web page.

Family Members

- Parents
Carl McCauley Bateman, 1909-1995
Audelle Eva Alford, 1910-1989
- Spouse
Richard Allen Stoewer

Information from AAFA records.

Close Cousins from the JOH807LA branch of the family.



Gil Alford and wife Mary, Euphamie (Sally) Bateman Stoewer and Pat Brock Smith
The mothers of Sally and Pat were Gil's first cousins.
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AAFA Hall of Fame Award
2001 Raleigh, NC Annual Meeting
Created and Operated the AAFA Merchandise Program



Sally and Dick Stoewer, #0120 LA, were also honored with the AAFA Hall of Fame Award presented by Max Alford.

Sally and Dick have managed the gift shop at the meeting for seven years. They haul the merchandise to each meeting and then what's left is hauled back to Baton Rouge. Dick is always helping out in the store except the few times he is able to sneak off and read the paper. Sally and Dick were heavily involved in the planning of a very successful meeting in 1993 in St. Francisville, Louisiana. Sally is the Chairperson of the Merchandise Committee. As such, she searches each year for new items to add to the shop's inventory. Sally has also submitted Alford obituary data, contributed to the Census Project, and served on the Board of Directors. Sally and Dick are also truly deserving of the honor.

Information from the **2001 Annual Meeting Report** published in AAFA ACTION Summer 2001 (#53), page 86.

The Tale of Captain Wick Alford's **RED** Jacket

Unbeknownst to those assembled at the Friday session, an elaborate plot had been hatched by Sally and Dick Stoewer, AAFA #0120, to honor, the missing third member who had never missed a meeting. As Wick Alford is known for his rather colorful outfits, Sally and Dick happened to be in a thrift store not too many days before the meeting when Dick spied a red blazer. He immediately thought of Wick. They purchased the jacket and wrote a memo in Wick's style of writing. This is where the plot thickened. It was decided that

after the presentation to Mary and Gil, my wife would approach the lectern and hand me what would purportedly be a fax from Wick expressing his regrets at not being there (in reality, it was the memo that Sally and Dick composed). The purported fax read:

"Hear Ye, Hear Ye, Hear Ye. This is the Captain speaking.

Gil- My comrade, my friend, buddy and pal, I sometimes sit on the front row so I can be seen by everyone - but mostly to make eye contact with you so I can harass you, dispute your research and to keep you straight.

To my buddies that go out to smoke a cigar after dinner - I hope you will keep this camaraderie and think of me.

To Earline -I will not be buying any tickets this year – I suggest you sell my tickets to Gil.

I will miss every one of you and I regret having to miss my first meeting. I trust you all can carry on without me.

Please make a place in the front row for me so Gil will see me often.

Respectfully
Wick Alford, Captain
US. Navy Retired"

Now any of you who have read anything that Wick has written (he writes all the Hall of Fame certificates as well as the Distinguished Member certificates to name a few), know that the above message captures Wick's writing style very well. As I finished reading the fax, Jeanne Singleton, AAFA #0249, came rushing up and pretended to excitedly whisper something in my ear. I barely had time to exclaim "Ladies and gentlemen, I have just been told that Wick has come to the meeting after all!" At that moment Dick Stoewer walked in wearing the red jacket, a baseball cap pulled low over his eyes and Wick's name tag. I must admit at first glance, I thought it was Wick. Dick did a really bang up job of impersonating him.

Everyone got a big kick out of the little masquerade. Dick then proceeded to remove the jacket which was hung in a place of honor on a coat rack at the front of the meeting room with Wick's name tag draped over it and a copy of a photograph of Wick attached to the coat hanger.

If you look closely at the pictures taken during the meeting sessions, you will see the red jacket with Wick's picture in the background of a lot of the shots. While I am not 100% sure of this, at one point during the Saturday afternoon session, I even thought I saw the jacket raise its sleeve trying to get the floor so it could dispute one of the points that Gil made during his presentation.

Information from the **2002 Meeting Report**, *The 2002 Salt Lake City Meeting Report* by Max Alford AAFA #0230, Member Hall of Fame, published in AAFA ACTION Fall 2002 (#58), pages 59-60.

Distinguished Member Award

1997, 1998, 1999, 2000

(for significant contributions to the purposes and goals of AAFA)

(presented at the 1999 San Antonio, TX Annual Meeting)

October 1998 – October 1999

Sally Stoewer AAFA #0120 for excellent work as chair of the Merchandise Committee, superb management of the AAFA store and for computer input.



Dick and Sally Stoewer
Saturday Night Dinner
2010 LA Meeting

Photo by:

Janice and John Smith, #0152
and Walt Smith, # 1247



Ona Faye Simmons, Sally Stoewer, Pat Brock Smith,
Jeanne Singleton and Joana Brock Breeland
Two pair of sisters and a friend enjoying their visit together
at the 2000 Augusta, GA Annual Meeting
Sisters: Sally & Jeanne and Pat & Joana
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