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Neal “Nealy” Preston Alford

AAFA #0565

Charter Member

June 11, 1925 – September 26, 1995

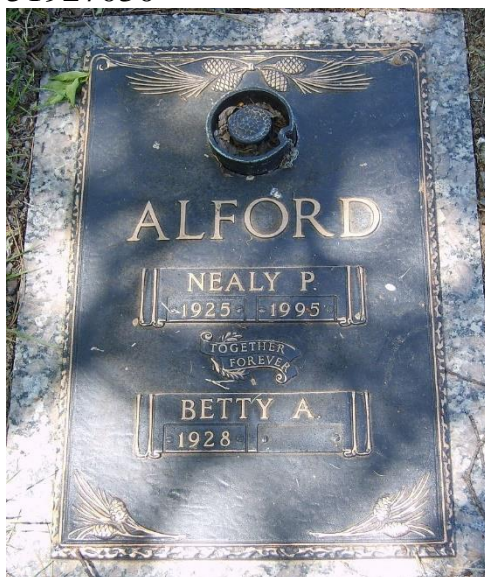
Birth: 11 Jun 1925
Gadsden, Etowah County, Alabama, USA

Death: 26 Sep 1995 (aged 70)
Amarillo, Potter County, Texas, USA

Burial: Memorial Park Cemetery
Amarillo, Potter County, Texas, USA

Plot: Hope Section, Block H, Lot 3, Space 1

Memorial ID: 51927030



Public Photo:
Photos added by: [Brenda Pulley](#) on 3 May 2010
Inscription: Together Forever

Family Members

- Parents
Hardman Talmadge Alford, Sr., 1898-1980
Nell “Nellie“ Ann Bone, 1902-1932
- Spouse
Betty Ann Farris, 1928-2013 (m. 1948)

- Siblings
Talmadge H. Alford, 1922-1999
Nell Marie Alford Gabbard, 1927-1986
- Half Siblings
Hardman Talmadge Alford, 1933-2016
William Louis “Groucho” Alford, 1934-2001
Hubert Lee Alford, 1936-2015 (AAFA #0626)
- Children
Rick Alford
Nellanne Alford Fisher
Gary Alford

Information copied from the [Find-A-Grave](#) and [Ancestry.com](#) web pages.

AAFA NOTES

- His Alford lineage: Nealy Preston 1925 AL¹, Hardman Talmadge 1898 AL², William J. 1861 AL³, Jefferson J. 1812 GA/TN⁴, Baldy 1784 NC⁵, Isham 1755 NC⁶.

Closed Case AAFA #0565 - Deceased

Subject: Closed Case AAFA #0565 - Deceased

From: Gilbert Alford <gilalford@yahoo.com>

Date: Tue, 17 Feb 2009 18:57:55 -0800 (PST)

To: Max Alford <mralford@swbell.net>, Earline Alford <ebalford@swbell.net>, Pam Thompson <pamrthompson@aol.com>, Ramona Darden <rda6983707@aol.com>, J&J Smith <janiceandjohnsmith@verizon.net>

Hi,

This email, sent primarily to those who have something to do with our deceased members, and the attachment will serve to close the case, on my end, on AAFA #0565, Nealy Preston Alford, AS SOON AS I GET AN AHNENTAFEL FROM JANICE - or her ok to make it here from her file. I guess it will get final closure when Ramona reads his name in Dallas next October 14 years after he died.

As you know Max and I have a continuing effort underway to try to upgrade the membership files as regards their address, email, ancestry, etc. Max you can add his family now

In 1993 Nealy P. Alford joined the association via the letter on page one of the attachment. In an effort to learn more about them and to help they as requested (alluded to) in their letter I sent them the letter on page 2 of the attachment As usual nothing happened and we let it drag until last year when I stumbled over them again - either to get an ahnentafel or to figure out for Max what the family code should be.

I checked the SSDI and found something that suggested our member had died in 1995. Seeing no other alternative I ordered a copy of his SS application (without cost to the AAFA) See page 3 of the attachment.- By this time I had hit on several of you for help. The very next day received Lynn's email that is on page 4 of the attachment. Had I waited one more day I would not have needed the SS application.

With Lynn's information I checked Janice's Isham file and there was Nealy Preston Alford BK 2071 with his wife, Betty Ann Farrish (who must have written the letter on page 1) and three kids. Lynn's email provided the kids birthdates that are missing from the genealogy- as well as Nealy's data.

Page 5 and 6 is what I received today from the Social Security Administration (I thought my stimulus package had arrived).

I'm obviously not doing a very good job of looking for information on members within our small leadership group.

Feb 17, 1993

Dear Sir:

We saw the article in our Sunday paper regarding the Association of the Alfard family line. My husband is very interested in your group he is an Alfard and his family resides in Alabama and he doesn't know where the family come from originally.

He would like to join your association.

Enclosed please find a check for \$20.00.

Thank you
 Neely P. Alfard
 1917 Alice St
 Amarillo, Texas 79106

#565
 NPA

Gilbert K. Alford, Jr.
1403 Kingsford Drive
Florissant, MO 63031-2422
(314) 831-8648

May 30, 1993

NPA/565

Nealy P. Alford
1917 Alice Street
Amarillo, TX 79106

Dear Alford,

I just began to prepare the Alford lineages to send to Pam Thompson for publication in the next quarterly and I noticed something very disturbing. I don't see evidence here of an awful lot of processing on your membership. If you did not receive a copy of the March quarterly within the last month or six weeks please drop me a note.

I should have sent you a letter or a note with an application blank on which you could record your Alford ancestry. You may remember that you applied for membership in your February 17 letter and it did not contain any genealogical information- other than a mention of Alabama connections.

Would you please complete the front side of the blue application form and the green Alford ancestry form and return them as soon as possible. I know that sounds dumb- asking you to hurry when I've apparently let your letter sit here and collect dust for three and a half months.

Assuming you did receive the last quarterly- the material I am working on is that similar to pages 4 - 11 except that our master data here in the computer contains much more information - such as vital statistics on the spouse and remarks as appropriate.

If you have any questions please let me know. I hope you will forgive me for this slip-up. I'm obviously trying to more than I'm capable of handling.

Sincerely,

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Date of request: 11 Nov 2008

Social Security Administration
OEO FOIA Workgroup
300 N. Green Street
P.O. Box 33022
Baltimore, Maryland 21290-3022

Please send me a photocopy of the actual application for a Social Security card (Form SS-5--Social Security Number Record Third Party Request for Photocopy) filed by the person listed below.

I obtained this information from the Social Security Death Master file at RootsWeb.com, Inc. who obtained it from the Social Security Death Master file, originally compiled by the Social Security Administration.

My understanding is that the fee is \$27, when the Social Security number is provided or \$29 if the Social Security number is unknown or incorrect. Enclosed is a check or money order for \$ 27 made payable to the Social Security Administration.

Thank you for your assistance.

ALFORD, NEAL

Birth: 11 Jun 1925
Death: 26 Sep 1995

Sincerely,



Gilbert K. Alford
1403 Kingsford Drive
Florissant, MO 63031-2422

Address:

Daytime Phone Number: 314 831 8648

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Nealy Preston Alford, 1925-1992 - AT&T Yahoo! Mail



Wednesday, November 12, 2008 9:27 PM

Nealy Preston Alford, 1925-1992

From: "Lynn Shelby" <lynnshelby@yahoo.com>
To: "Gil Alford" <gilalford@yahoo.com>

Gil,
I found Neal P.'s TX Death Cert. (actually not the certificate but the death record) and he is Nealy Preston Alford, born 11 Jun 1925 and died 28 Sep 1992 as already determined by his SS#. The closest I could come to parents are Harbman, T. (Harbman Talmadge in the AL marriage records married for the second time in Cherokee Co. AL in 1932) Alford and wife Nellie who have a son named NEELY in the 1930 census of Etowah Co. AL. Can't find Harbman in WWI Draft Registration but he was born 1898 AL with parents born AL according to 1930 census.

Nealy Preston and wife Betty Ann Farris are in the TX Birth Index with the following children: (I think all born in Potter Co TX)
Richard Neal Alford born 7 Mar 1923
Nellanne born 31 Aug 1925
Gary Preston born 1 Feb 1927

There is a Nealy Alford born 20 Sep 1899 who died Nov 1985 (449-28-4257) in Hill Co. TX that I was trying to connect to Nealy Preston, but this older Nealy may have been a woman and I have not found more than the SSDI record.

Lynn

Form SS-5
TREASURY DEPARTMENT
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE
Revised June 1940

APPLICATION FOR SOCIAL SECURITY ACCOUNT NUMBER
REQUIRED UNDER THE FEDERAL INSURANCE CONTRIBUTIONS ACT

READ INSTRUCTIONS ON BACK BEFORE FILLING IN FORM

EACH ITEM SHOULD BE FILLED IN. IF THE INFORMATION CALLED FOR IN ANY ITEM IS NOT KNOWN, WRITE "UNKNOWN"

PLEASE PRINT WITH INK OR USE TYPEWRITER

DO NOT WRITE IN THE ABOVE SPACE

1. WOMAN'S FIRST NAME Nealy P. 202101 MIDDLE NAME (IF YOU HAVE NO MIDDLE NAME, DRAW A LINE) LAST NAME Alford

2. FULL NAME UNDER WHICH YOU WORK, IF DIFFERENT FROM NAME SHOWN IN ITEM 1. AND NUMBER (CITY, STATE) 2 Gadsden, Ala.

3. HUSBAND'S PRESENT HOME (CITY, STATE) 2

4. HAV. FOR EVER BEFORE HAD A SOCIAL SECURITY ACCOUNT NUMBER CASE? NO YES WHICH AND IF ANSWER IS "YES" ENTER PLACE AND REASONS FOR FILING AS (MARRIED WOMAN - FOR MIDDLE NAME, GIVE LAST NAME BEFORE MARRIAGE; FOR LAST NAME, GIVE HUSBAND'S LAST NAME)

5. AGE AT LAST BIRTHDAY 16 DATE OF BIRTH (MONTH, DAY, YEAR) June 16, 1925 PLACE OF BIRTH (CITY, COUNTY, STATE) Bedford, Gadsden Co., Ala.

8. SEX MALE FEMALE 9. COLOR (IF RACE: WHITE & NEGRO) OTHER 10. MARRIED SINGLE DIVORCED SEPARATED (CHECK 1) WHICH (CHECK 1) WHICH

11. BUSINESS NAME (IF PRESENT EMPLOYER) W. L. ... STREET AND NUMBER (CITY, STATE) ...

13. FATHER'S FULL NAME (REGARDLESS OF WHETHER LIVING OR DEAD) W. L. ... MOTHER'S FULL NAME (REGARDLESS OF WHETHER LIVING OR DEAD) W. L. ...

15. DATE LAST FULL TIME JOB ENDED - LAST OCCUPATION - LAST INDUSTRY - SPEC. IN OCCUPATION (CITY, STATE) ...

16. HOW WERE YOU PAID? ...

17. DATE LAST FULL TIME JOB ENDED - LAST OCCUPATION - LAST INDUSTRY - SPEC. IN OCCUPATION (CITY, STATE) July 7, 1941 ...

18. APPLICANT'S WRITTEN SIGNATURE (FIRST NAME, MIDDLE INITIAL, LAST NAME) Nealy P. Alford

RETURN COMPLETED APPLICATION TO, OR SECURE INFORMATION ON HOW TO FILL IN APPLICATION FROM, NEARBY SOCIAL SECURITY BOARD FIELD OFFICE. THE ADDRESS CAN BE OBTAINED FROM LOCAL POST OFFICE.



SOCIAL SECURITY

January 23, 2009

Refer to: S2RB123/65496
TAG: 903004454

GILBERT K ALFORD
1403 KINGSFORD DRIVE
FLORISSANT MO 63031-2422

RE: Neal Alford
[REDACTED]

Dear Gilbert K Alford:

I am enclosing a copy of the original application for a Social Security number for the above person, as requested.

Thank you for your payment to cover the cost of searching our records.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Dawn S. Wiggins".

Dawn S. Wiggins
Freedom of Information Officer

Enclosure

11-11-08 Gil - Reuben L. Alford.txt

Subject:
 Fw: Re: Reuben L. Alford
 From:
 Gilbert Alford <gilalford@yahoo.com>
 Date:
 Tue, 11 Nov 2008 04:06:53 -0800 (PST)
 To:
 Pam Thompson <pamrthompson@aol.com>, Earline Alford <ebalford@swbell.net>, Lynnandjimshelley@yahoo.com, Max Alford <mralford@swbell.net>, Ramona Darden <rda6983707@aol.com>

Hi,

John Rogers sent this at my request as I was searching for a connection for AAFA #0565, the late Neal P. Alford, 417-20-3583 who was b. in AL and died in Amarillo, TX. They submitted no information when they joined other than to say Neal's Alford's were in Alabama. I wrote them for more information a few months later and had no response. In working with Max on the membership file I decided to check the SSDI where I found he died just a couple years after joining AAFA.

I found a record in the 1930 Alabama census that looked close but after seeing this data from John Rogers I think it probably is not correct.

I am going to order, at my expense, a copy of Neal's ss application to see if won't give us a lead as to who his Alford's were. It will take forever to get the results but I'll try to remember to post you on it when I get something.

This message is provided primarily for Earline and the memorial album and for Pam and the In Remembrance article. Ramoa gets it as background for the memorial service at the meeting next year. Lynn is included in case she can help run him down.

.. Gil

--- On Mon, 11/10/08, jrogers791@aol.com <jrogers791@aol.com> wrote:

From: jrogers791@aol.com <jrogers791@aol.com>
 Subject: Re: Reuben L. Alford
 To: gilalford@yahoo.com
 Date: Monday, November 10, 2008, 8:36 PM

Gil,

This is all I have on Reuben Lafayette Alford. His father was Richard Mason Alford and grandfather was Richard Redden Alford. There are quite a few holes, and I have no Neal Alford, but if he was born after 1940, I may not have a record of him. Also, Donald Alford could have been Donald Neal, possibly. I had to really dig and patch things together for this family.

Hope this helps.

John R

(149) Richard Mason "Steely" "Drew" Alford, son of Richard Redden Alford, was born in December 1869 in Coffee County, Alabama. For some reason, after the death of his mother, Rebecca Phillips Alford, he went to live with her brother, his Uncle Hezekiah Phillips. Presumably, this was because of the fact there was a woman in the house to take care of the infant. In 1880 he was still listed with his uncle's family in Geneva County. His father remarried later, but not in time to take care of an infant. As a young man, he was married to an unknown spouse (?-1890) in about 1889. According to a family legend, told by John Richard Alford II, sons Reuben and James Irvin had different mothers, meaning "Steely's" first wife must have died after the birth of John Richard, his first child. "Steely" married Elifair Ellenor Malloy (4/12/1876-3/21/1920) in 1890. In 1900 he was listed as "Drusilla" Alford in Geneva County. They soon moved to Green Bay, Alabama (south of Opp on Hwy 331) in Covington County in 1901, where he died a year later in 1902. His wife soon remarried to Joseph Wise in Covington County (Green Bay). "Steely" had the following children: