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Henry Cecil "H.C." Alford, Jr.

AAFA #0820

Charter Member

September 14, 1932 - February 17, 2020

Obituary



It is with heavy hearts that the family of Dr. H.C. Alford, Jr. announces his unexpected passing on Monday, February 17, 2020, at the age of 87 years.

Born September 14, 1932 in Richardsville, Kentucky, he grew up on a rural farm, acquiring a vigorous work ethic. He served in the Korean War, and with his leadership and typing skills, was precociously promoted to a US Army Supply Sargent. After returning home, H.C. graduated from Western Kentucky University where he met and married his WKU Biology teacher Margaret Simons. They then moved to Auburn

University where she taught microbiology and he matriculated with a Doctor in Veterinary Medicine.

Known as "Doc" in Owensboro and befriending all, he treated thousands of large and small animals at Kentuckiana Animal Clinic and at local farms. A lifetime Christian and elder, H.C. was a long-time member with his family of South Side and Westside Church of Christ in Owensboro, and later a member of the Bowling Green 12th Street Church of Christ, Ray's Branch Church of Christ, and more recently, Parkway Church of Christ.

After losing Margaret in 2008, he found love again and married Jean Vinson in 2013, with whom he rekindled his life-spark and re-sharpened his hoe. Known for his mental brilliance, his pranks and his love of God, nature, and gardening, H.C. leaves behind a legacy of his wooded farm in Richardsville that is home to hundreds of hummingbirds, deer, and wild turkey which he shared with his dear family and many close friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents Flora Russell and H.C. Alford, Sr., his siblings Dorman, Norman, Mary, and Demp, and his first wife, Margaret (Simons), mother of their three children. He is survived by his second lovely wife, Jean (Vinson) and her two daughters Sarah Vinson and Amanda Paris as well as his three children with Margaret,

Sue Martin (John), Linda Baker (Ken), and Steve Alford (Kelley), and seven grandchildren, Evan, Sky, and Daisy Martin, Amanda (John Logan) Thomas, Andrew Baker, and Danny and Jake Alford, and siblings Ray Alford and Frank Alford.

Memorial services will be held at J.C. Kirby Funeral Home on Broadway, Bowling Green, KY.

Visitation is on Saturday 2/22/2020 from 4PM to 8PM and Sunday 2/23/2020 from 11:30AM to 2 PM.

The funeral service will be held on Sunday 2/23/2020 starting at 2PM with interment to follow at Green River Union Cemetery in Richardsville, KY.

Expressions of sympathy may be made to the Green River Union Cemetery Fund, 2228 Threlkel Ferry Road, Bowling Green, KY 42101.

Photo and information copied from the [J.C. Kirby & Son](#) web site.

Personal Data

Birth: 14 Sep 1932
Richardsville, Warren County, Kentucky, USA
Death: 17 Feb 2020 (aged 87)
Bowling Green, Warren County, Kentucky, USA
Burial: Green River Union Cemetery
Richardsville, Warren County, Kentucky, USA
Plot: #1041
Memorial ID: 55860155

Family Members

- Parents
Henry Cecil Alford, Sr., 1893-1978
Flora Irene Childress, 1914-1999
- Spouse
Margaret Love Simons, 1930-2008 (m. 1959)
Jean Vinson (m. 2013)

- Siblings
Willie Ray Alford, 1929-
Norman Alford, 1931-1931
Dorman Alford, 1931-1985
Frank Alford, 1935-
Mary E. Alford, 1937-2013
Ezra Dempsey Alford, 1940-2015
- Half Sibling
Jewel Woodrow Alford, 1915-1982



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AAFA NOTES:

1. See AAFA's Published Genealogies, #2.
2. His lineage: Henry Cecil 1932 KY¹, Henry Cecil 1893 KY², Abner Jasper 1865 KY³, William Thomas 1838 KY⁴, William 1804 VA⁵, William 1775 VA⁶.