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FAMILY REUNION
of
Descendants
of



Jephtha M. Alford

JULY 22, 1862 - MAY 26 1948

PERCY QUIN STATE PARK
Magnolia, Mississippi
April 25, 1987

OUR ALFORD FAMILY

This compilation of information on the descendants of Jephtha M. Alford was made possible by information submitted by many of our cousins. Assuming we will have a similar reunion next year plans are already in process to expand on this for next years publication.

Each cousin is encouraged to submit information to correct or add to that which is included in the current edition. The name and address of the compiler is printed on each page so there it won't be possible to say "I didn't know where to send it." The best way to submit information is on the family group sheet. A blank one has been included in the booklet and you are encouraged to make copies locally.

In addition to the booklet a video tape is being made on the family for showing at the next reunion. An abbreviated sample tape may be shown during this years reunion. Those who have photo's (black and white, color (postives or negatives), slides or super 8mm movies) that could be included in the video tape should send them to the compiler. The originals will not be damaged and will be returned after taping. Copies may be made of some of the photo's for inclusion in future editions of our booklet.

We waited until almost the "last minute" before printing the charts in this booklet. Even then later information was received and inked annotations have been made to include the additions.

One of the most pressing questions is "What was the middle name of Jephtha M. Alford?" In this edition he is shown as Jephtha **MARTIN** Alford. A poor transposition of the 1880 census shows he was enumerated as Martin, but the transposition could be incorrect. Two published books, one on Warners etc and one on Fortinberry's show him as Jephtha Martin. That is poor justification though as two other books, the Brumfield book and the Pike County history show him as Wiley Jephtha Alford. Gary Penton says he remembers his mother talking of him as Jephtha Morris Alford. Gilbert K. Alford, the oldest surviving child of Jephtha does not remember ever hearing his middle name. Unless one of the cousins has some postive proof we may have to spend some time in the Washington Parish records checking this out.

Not shown on the chart was a child of Jephtha and Fannie Purvis; born and died in 1893. According to the 1910 census Laura also had a child who did not live, and it is not shown on the charts.

Buddy and Jerry Alford say they know that Alonzo was born in 1890. The source of the 1891 in this booklet was probably the gravestones and may not be correct. The 1900 census showed Alonzo as being born in 1891 and it too could be erroneus. Gary Penton has confirmed that the birth date for Roxie is not correct, but the footnote is. She was born August 30 1899.

It is obvious that help is needed from many cousins on several charts.