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## ELIZABETH ALFORD WILLIAMS

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GREENVILLE—Elizabeth Alford Williams, 75, of Greenville, died Jan. 10, 1993, after a lengthy illness.

Visitation will be from 6-8 tonight at Mortimer Funeral Home of Greenville. Services will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday in the funeral home chapel, with the Rev. Eugene Rosenkranz officiating. Burial will be in Greenlawn Memorial Gardens.

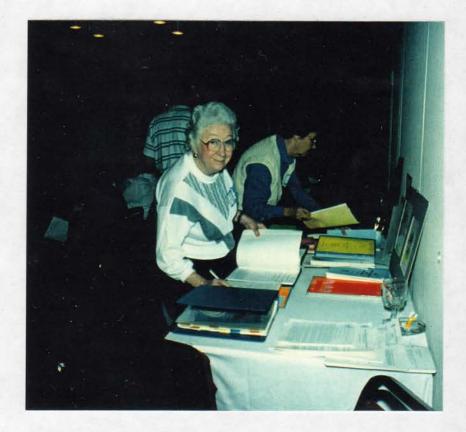
Mrs. Williams was born Dec. 26, 1917, in Inverness. She was the daughter of the late Dr. Julius Whitford Alford and Ivy Belle Edington Terry Alford.

She was a retired registered nurse and nursing instructor at Mississippi Delta Community College. She had been a resident of Greenville for over 70 years, having been educated in the Greenville Public schools and at Mississippi Delta Community College.

She was a member of the Church of Our Saviour, Anglican Province of Christ the King.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Murray Littleton Williams, a native of McComb.

She is survived by one son, Murray L. Williams Jr. of New Orleans; one grandson, Murray L. Williams III of Natchez; one sister, Pearl Nix Alford Albritton of Hazlehurst; and several nieces and nephews.



AAFA lost an early and active member this year. Liz Williams, AAFA #40, had attended most of our annual meetings, so many members knew her.

Note from Gil Alford: "The Association has experienced a great loss with the death of Liz Williams, not only because of her enthusiasm and contributions but also because she was kin to many members. Her sister Nixie Albritton, AAFA #450, no doubt will feel the loss the most. AAFA cousins Julius M. "Pooly" Alford, Pat Roper, Elizabeth Hazlip, and others—distant kin or non-kin—will also miss her.

"Liz and I had been corresponding and talking by phone ever since I began my work on Alfords in 1982. My files are full of notes, charts, etc. that she sent over the years. Here is an excerpt from a typical note: 'I was in Little Rock, Ark Archives last week & gave your card to Monte Jean Frame who was trying to trace Alfords.' Monte Jean became a subscriber to the old About Alfords newsletter and contributed much to our collection. Liz was one of our founding members and was always pushing our Alford work.

"Until cancer made it impossible for her to attend our annual meeting, she never missed one. She was among the dozen or so who were at the first meeting in Atlanta in 1988. For a couple years after the cancer was discovered she refused to take radiation treatment because she said it would make her too sick to chase her ancestors and attend our Alford meetings. In Houston in 1989 when someone suggested we might meet every second year, she almost became violent demanding that we meet every year. She was able to make it to North Carolina and to Jackson, MS, but she was bedridden by the time we met in Destin., but our thoughts were with her. Yes, we will miss Liz. God Bless Her."

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b. Dec 25 1917 & d. Jan 10 1993
Lived in Greenville, MS
Family JUL808NC/JAM687VA
Attended 4 meeting(s).
In spite of cancer she made 4 AAFA meetings. At
the 1989 meeting in Houston she commented that she
was not taking the chemo-therapy because it would
keep her from making the AAFA meetings. Her
display of family reunion aprons at the Houston
meeting was a prelude to the AAFA merchandizing
effort and the AAFA store.