

Edgar Griffin Alford

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In Remembrance of AAFA Members

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THE CLARION-LEDGER

Jackson, MS - Sunday, March 3, 2002

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Mr. Alford, a native of Rosedale, was a long time resident of Jackson. He graduated from The University of Mississippi where he earned his degree in accounting. While at Ole Miss, Mr. Alford was a member of the Pi Kappa Alpha social Fraternity and was a member of the ROTC. After graduation he received his commission as a 2nd Lieutenant in the United States Army. Mr. Alford was a veteran of World War II, serving in the Army Quartermaster Corps, in the European Theater, where he received the Bronze Star & the European African Middle Eastern Campaign Medal with 3 bronze stars. He served 30 years in the U.S. Army Reserve, where he was the commander of the 40th ordnance group headquartered in Jackson. Mr. Alford retired from service achieving the rank of Colonel.

Mr. Alford was a retired Certified Public Accountant, practicing for over 56 years. He was the Sole Proprietor of E. Griffin Alford, CPA. Mr. Alford was very active in the community & various professional organizations. He served as President of the Mississippi Society of CPA's, the Mississippi Estate planning Council, the Reserve Officers Association, the Retired Officers Association, the Jackson Chapter of the Military Order of World Wars, the American Legion Post 110 and the Jackson Chapter of the National Association of Accountants. Mr. Alford had been a member of the Jackson Central Lion's Club since 1959 and served as the Secretary /Treasurer for 29 years. Mr. Alford traveled with the All State Lion's Band to Seoul Korea. He was active in the YMCA, the sons of the American Revolution, and was a member of the First Families of Mississippi He was a long time member of Broadmoor Baptist Church, where he was active in the Sunday School program. Mr. Alford enjoyed playing tennis on Saturday morning at Parham Bridges with his family & friends.

Survivors include: his wife: Doris Alford of Jackson, MS.; his sons: E. Griffin Alford, Jr., of Madison, MS., David Baldwin Alford of Brandon, MS., Andrew Stephen Alford of Florence, MS., daughter, Claudia Alford Stribling of Jackson, MS.; 5 granddaughters. Memorials may be made to the Jackson Central Lion's Club 5455 Executive Place Jackson, MS. 39206.

Griff attended the 1991 meeting in Jackson, MS and following that provided us some family group records on some of his immediate families. When we learned of his death we wrote to his son, also an AAFA member, in an effort to get more information about him. Apparently the son thought the obit said enough and it is quite informative.

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Dear Griffin,

It is with sorrow and sympathy that I write this letter. We just learned of the death of your father who was member #0423 of our association. I regret the lateness of this letter but one of our members just sent a copy of the obituary that appeared in the Jackson paper. She was not aware that the subject was a member of the association or we would have received a more timely notice.

I trust I have the correct address. Our records still had your Brookhaven address but since the obituary reported you from Madison I checked switchboard.com for the address above.

My purpose in writing, in addition to expressing our sympathy, is to ask your help with more information about your father as well as for a photograph/s. Your father will not be dropped from the rolls of AAFA but rather transferred to the deceased members group.

In a forthcoming issue of AAFA ACTION, our quarterly, we will publish an In Remembrance article about him. It will include his obituary and genealogical information. We would appreciate it if you could provide us a copy of your favorite photo of him and possibly others. Maybe even one dating from his WWII days. If you have any other obituaries, eulogies, or interesting stories about him we would like to include that in the In Remembrance article. With his notable background there must have been other things published about him over the years.

He will be recognized, along with other members deceased in the past year, at a special memorial segment at our 2003 meeting banquet—which will be in Arkansas. His name will be included in a special memorial list on our web site, and he will be shown as a deceased member on large wall charts we have at each meeting showing the Alford ancestry of members who registered for that meeting.

We maintain a memorial album on all deceased members which is available for member viewing at each of our annual meetings. It includes a copy of the obituary, photograph and other material about all of our deceased members.

When you send the photographs please let us know if you want them returned. Whether the copies you send or some we scan from them—they will eventually be placed in the AAFA Photo Archives maintained by members in Plano, TX. The originals are kept in a bank vault.

Again, we send our deepest sympathy. If there is anything we can do for you please let me know.

Sincerely,

Gil Alford

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