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James Wesley Alford Family-Placed Death Notice

James Wesley Alford, 70, of Atlanta died Wednesday, November 23, 2005 after a long illness. He was a graduate of Murphy High School and a veteran of the United States Army serving during the Korean War. He was a member of American Legion Post #1. He spent his life in the printing industry and served as president of

the Atlanta Printing Industry Atlanta in the 1970's. Mr. Alford was preceded in death by his parents, Evelyn Burch and Lawrence C. Alford and his son, Daniel Wesley Alford. He is survived by his son, Larry Alford; daughter-in-law, Becky Alford; and three grandchildren, Jerry, Lisa and Cody Alford. A memorial service will be held at

A. S. Turner & Sons, Wednesday, November 30th at 7 p.m., Dr. J. Hoffman Harris officiating. The family will receive friends from 6 to 7 p.m. Wednesday at A. S. Turner & Sons

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Alford's of Atlanta GA From 1935-2005

James Wesley Alford was born March 21, 1935. He was the first child of Lawrence Caesar Alford who was born December 15, 1911 in Palatka FL. and Evelyn Burch, who was born in 1911. They were married in Atlanta GA sometime in 1934. James was born in Atlanta GA in March 1935. Their second child Jane Irene Alford was born May 26, 1936 in Atlanta GA. Lawrence and Evelyn Alford divorced when the children were 3 to 4 years old. Evelyn had custody of the children. She remarried-- Thomas P. Carithers. At sometime they moved to the Savannah GA area and also Jacksonville Fl. The children were with them till the age of 12 and 13 when they returned to the Atlanta area, at that time Evelyn called Lawrence and gave custody of James and Jane to him. Lawrence had remarried during their absence. He Married Mary Brock. He and Mary never had any children. James at about the age of 16 moved in with his grandmother Sally Irene Alford Sebile and his uncle Richard Herrin Alford. They were living at 32 Second Ave. Atlanta, Dekalb Co. GA. This is where they lived for thirty years. This is where James was living when I met him in 1951. James was always a worker. I met him as he was working at Evergreen Pharmacy as a soda jerk. Evergreen Pharmacy was on Boulevard Drive 'in Atlanta GA. He was in the 10th grade at Murphy High School Atlanta GA. He was on a school worker program. He would leave school at 1:00 pm and go to his fathers printing shop and work till 5:00 pm then he would go to Evergreen Pharmacy and work till 10:00 pm, There was another print shop around the corner from his father where he would work also. I don't remember the name of it. James graduated from Murphy High School in June 1953. He worked at a rubber stamp company in Atlanta till about March 1954, at that time he joined the United States Army. He was in boot camp in Fort Jackson S C from there he was stationed at Fort Lenoardwood Mo. He came home on leave in September 1954, before being stationed at Fort Lewis Washington. We were married in Greenwood SC on September 26, 1954. I was a senior at Decatur High School in Decatur GA. James left for Fort Lewis Washington I stayed in Decatur and finished high school. I graduated in June 1955 and left the next day to join him at Fort Lewis Washington in Tocomo Washington. His grandmother Irene Easterli Alford Seblie drove with me to Tocomo Washington. James was in during the Korean conflict (War), however he was fortunate to be able to stay at Fort Lewis for the rest of his enlistment. In June of 1958 we returned to the Atlanta area, where our children were born Daniel Wesley Alford in May 1960 and Lawrence Richard Alford in July 1962. During all of these years, I heard all of the

Alford stories, those especially during the trip with James grandmother on the trip to meet James. The rest of this is as I remember from James and other family members. Oh, how I have wished many times I had ask more questions and written down facts while I was living this, but as is so often the case we don't really get interested in more than what we are living till we are much older. I always thought that if I could just get the chance to go to Montgomery AL, I would just be able to go into some library or office building there and find the whole Alford history. I wanted to do this for our sons Anyway James and I divorced in 1975. James remarried in 1977 or 1978. A woman named Bobble, don't remember the last name. In 1978 they moved to Houston TX. Our son Daniel followed his father in about 198 1. James and Bobble divorced in 1982 or 1983, these dates have become a little fussy over the years. Our son Daniel Wesley Alford died August 11, 2003 in Houston TX. James was in very bad health and unable to take care of himself. In June of 2004 our son Lawrence went to Houston TX and moved his father back to GA so he would be able to take care of him. He and his wife did an excellent job of taking care. His health was so bad till he had to go into a nursing home in 2005. He had kidney failure and was on dialysis, he was a diabetic, had gallblater cancer and had the gallblater removed. On November 23, 2005 he died of a massive heart attach.

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