**African American Families of Harrison County, Texas –**

**including adjacent counties**

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### The source of names for the families researched, is the “Adams Cemetery”, located in Karnack, Harrison County, Texas. The commentary for the site advises 13% of the memorials have been photographed.

### ALFORD, Roosevelt (Parker) – female

### Mrs. Alford’s tombstone (Adams Cemetery) lists her birth as 1921, Karnack, Harrison, Texas. There were several Public Trees at *Ancestry.com* with a birthdate of 26 Oct 1921. The *Ancestry.com* entries did not list any “proof” or source for the full date, so it is merely data with no basis in fact.

### In the *1930 US Census, Texas, Harrison, JP#5, 22 Apr 1930; Marshal & Baldwin Rd,* we find Roosevelt Parker living with her parents and siblings:

### PARKER, Willie head m neg 33 19 when md TX TX TX Gen Farm

### , Lillie wife f neg 29 15 “ “ TX TX TX

### , Tommie dau f neg 13 single TX TX TX

### , Robert son m neg 12 “ “ “ “

### \* , Roosevelt dau f neg 10 “ “ “ “

### , Clint T dau f neg 7 “ “ “ “

### , Joe W son m neg 5 “ “ “ “

### , Curtis son m neg 3 “ “ “ “

### , Osie son m neg 1 “ “ “ “

### Roosevelt is still home with her parents in the *1940 US Census, Texas, Harrison 102-24; T627; Lake & Cooper*

### PARKER, Willie head m neg 45 md school no grade 5 TX

### , Lillie wife f neg 40 md school no grade 6 TX

### , Tommy dau f neg 22 sngl school no H2 TX

### \* , Roosevelt dau f neg 18 sngl school yes H1 TX

### , Clent T dau f neg 16 sngl school H1 TX

### , Joe W son m neg 14 sngl school Gr 5 TX

### , Curtis son m neg 12 sngl school Gr 4 TX

### , O C son m neg 10 sngl school Gr 3 TX

### , Sammie L son m neg 8 sngl school Gr 2 TX

### , Hester dau f neg 6 sngl school Gr 1 “

### , Saul son m neg 4 sngl no “

### , Lillie R. dau f neg 1 sing no “

### A search for Roosevelt’s marriage to Rev. Calvin Scott ALFORD was conducted with no record found at this time. The estimated marriage date for Roosevelt Parker and Rev. Calvin Alford is 1941. This date is a result of adding an average of 20 years, to the Mrs. Alford’s birthdate.

### The *1950 US Census*, shows the following family.

### *1950 US Census – Texas, Harrison, Roll 3027, Sheet #14, ED 102-60, 12 Apr 1950, Peter Chapel Rd*

### ALFORD, Rev. Calvin head neg m. 26 md TX

### \* , Roosevelt wife neg f 26 md TX

### , Carl A. son neg m 8 s TX

### , Frederick J. son neg m 6 s TX

### , Comma O dau neg f 3 s. TX

### , Emma L dau neg f 2 s TX

### ALFORD, Mattie head neg f 60 wd TX (possibly Calvin Alford’s mother)

### The *Texas Death Index, 1903-2000* provides the following data, but no image of the record is available:

### ALFORD, Roosevelt (Parker)

### 17 June 1994

### Harrison

### Female

### Mrs. Alford’s OBITUARY is as follows:

### "Services for Mrs. ROOSEVELT P. ALFORD, of 2408

### Bledsoe, Marshall, will be at noon Tuesday at Friendship

### Baptist Church, in Karnack, with the Rev. A. Simmons

### officiating. Mrs. Alford was born in Karnack, a daughter

### of Willie Parker and Lillie Haggerty Parker. She was a

### homemaker and a member of Truevine Baptist Church.

### She was preceded in death by her mother, her father

### and a daughter. Survivors include her husband, Rev.

### Calvin Alford; two sons, Frederick J. Alford, of Marshall,

### and Carl Calvin Alford, of Dallas; two daughters, Commie

### A. Holman, of Shreveport, Louisiana, and Yvonne A

### Caraway, of Dallas; eight grandchildren; several great-

### grandchildren; and an aunt, Ira Haggerty. Visitation will

### be from 4-9 p.m. today.

### Obituary Published in the

### *Monday, June 20, 1994 and Tuesday June 21, 1994 Editions*

### *of The Marshall News Messenger [Texas Newspaper]*

### *Newspapers.com*

### The tombstone, photographed at *Adam’s Cemetery*, does provide a death date of 17 June 1994 at Marshall, Harrison, Texas.

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### ALFORD, Rev. Calvin “Scott” - (burial - Northwest Louisiana War Veterans Home Cemetery)

### According to Rev. Alford’s tombstone and the 1920 US Census, he was born 5 Nov 1921in Harrison County, Texas to William Sr and Roosevelt (Parker) Alford.

### *1920 US Census,Texas, Harrison, JP #5, Dist 006, 16 Jan 1920, Baldwin & Karnack Road; Roll T625-1815, pg 10B, ED 66*

### ALFORD, William head own m b 53 md MISP US US

### , Mattie wife f b 32 md TX TX TX

### , William Jr son m b 13 s TX MISP TX

### , Olie. son m b. 12 s “ “ “

### , Essie dau f b 9 s “ “ “

### , Pink son m b 7 s “ “ “

### , Ruth Mae dau f b. 5 s “ “ “

### , Teddie son m b 3 s “ “ “

### , Hattie dau f b 2 s “ “ “

### *1930 US Census, Texas, Harrison, Pct 5, Lake & Cooper Rd 23 Apr 1930; pg 134 A Ed 23 Film # 2342087*

### ALFORD, Mattie head own f neg. 42 wd 18 @ md TX TX TX

### , Pink son m neg 18 s TX TX TX

### , Ruth M dau f neg 16 s “ “ “

### , Teddie son m neg. 14 s “ “ “

### \* , Calvet son m neg 8 s “ “ “

### , Rainey son m neg 7 s “ “ “

### , Goldie dau f neg 6 s “ “ “

### *1940 US Census, Texas, Harrison, JP #5, ED 102-24 14 May 1940 Peter Chape Rd; Roll m-t 0627-0405, pg 14A*

### ALFORD, Mattie head f neg 53 wd TX

### , Pink son m neg 24 s TX

### \* , Calvin son m neg 18 s TX

### , Rainey son m neg 16 s TX

### , Goldie dau f neg 15 s TX

### *1950 US Census – Texas, Harrison, Roll 3027, Sheet #14, ED 102-60, 12 Apr 1950, Peter Chapel Rd*

### \*ALFORD, Rev. Calvin head neg m. 26 md TX

### , Roosevelt wife neg f 26 md TX

### , Carl A. son neg m 8 s TX

### , Frederick J. son neg m 6 s TX

### , Comma O dau neg f 3 s. TX

### , Emma L dau neg f 2 s TX

### ALFORD, Mattie head neg f 60 wd TX (Calvin Alford’s mother)

OBITUARY for Rev. Calvin "Scott" Alford  
  
Farewell services for Rev. Calvin "Scott" Alford, 93, will be held at 1:00 p.m. Saturday, September 5, 2015 at Pleasant Hill Baptist Church, 4670 Lakeshore Drive, Shreveport, LA. Dr. Henry L. Armington, Sr. will officiate. Open visitation will be Saturday from 11:00 a.m. until time of service at the church. *Interment service will be at 2:00 p.m. Tuesday, September 8, 2015 at Northwest Louisiana Veterans Cemeter*y.   
  
Rev. Alford was born November 5, 1921 and passed away August 28, 2015. He was a member of Pleasant Hill Baptist Church, and a resident of the Northwest Louisiana War Veterans Home in Bossier City, LA. Survivors include his four children, Carl (Hattie) Alford, Frederick Alford, Commie (Ray) Holmon, Yvonne Carraway; grandchildren, Charlotte (Don) Henderson, Anthony Alford, Stephanie Alford, Bernard Alford, Aylwin Holmon, Eddrina (Todd) Palmer, Veronica Alford, Lawrence Alford; seven great grandchildren; nine great great grandchildren; one sister, Ms. Goldie Alford Davis; host of nieces, nephews, additional family members and friends.  
  
The family requests that memorials be made in memory of Rev. Calvin Alford to Pancreatic Cancer Action Network in his honor.  
  
Heavenly Gates Funeral Home  
1339 Jewell Street  
Shreveport, LA 71101  
318-222-8010   
  
Published in Shreveport Times on Sept. 4, 2015

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STM1 - Steward's Mate 1st Class Petty Officer (E-6) US Navy, World War II veteran.   
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ALFORD, CALVIN    
STM1 US NAVY  
WORLD WAR II  
DATE OF BIRTH: 11/05/1921  
DATE OF DEATH: 08/28/2015  
BURIED AT: SECTION 2 SITE 237  
NORTHWEST LOUISIANA VETERANS CEMETERY  
7970 MIKE CLARK ROAD KEITHVILLE, LA  
HE LOVED GOD  
AND COUNTRY

Rev. Calvin Alford’s service memorial information: ***US Veterans’ Gravesites, ca. 1775-2019:***

***https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/151697385/calvin-alford***

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| Name: | Calvin Alford |
| Rank: | Stm1 |
| Death Age: | 93 |
| Birth Date: | 5 Nov 1921 |
| Death Date: | 28 Aug 2015 |
| Interment Place: | Keithville, Louisiana, USA |
| Cemetery Address: | 7970 Mike Clark Road |
| Cemetery Postal Code: | 71047 |
| Cemetery: | Northwest Louisiana Veterans Cem |
| Section: | 2 |
| Plot: | 237 |
| War: | World War II |
| Branch of Service: | US Navy |
| Relative: | Calvin Alford |
| Comments: | Veteran (Self) |

### (Note: Rev. Calvin ALFORD’s parents - William ALFORD Sr b 2 Apr 1865, TX or Mississippi married Mattie GREER abt 1906 in Harrison County, Texas. He passed 14 Jan 1928 and is buried in Sipp Cemetery, Karnack, Harrison Co, Texas. Mattie [GREER] ALFORD was born to Henry and Luvenia [ANDERSON] GREER 14 Feb 1886 in Texas. She passed on 6 Sep 1981 in Harrison County, Texas and is interred in the Sipp Cemetery, Karnack, Harrison Co, Texas along with her husband and parents)