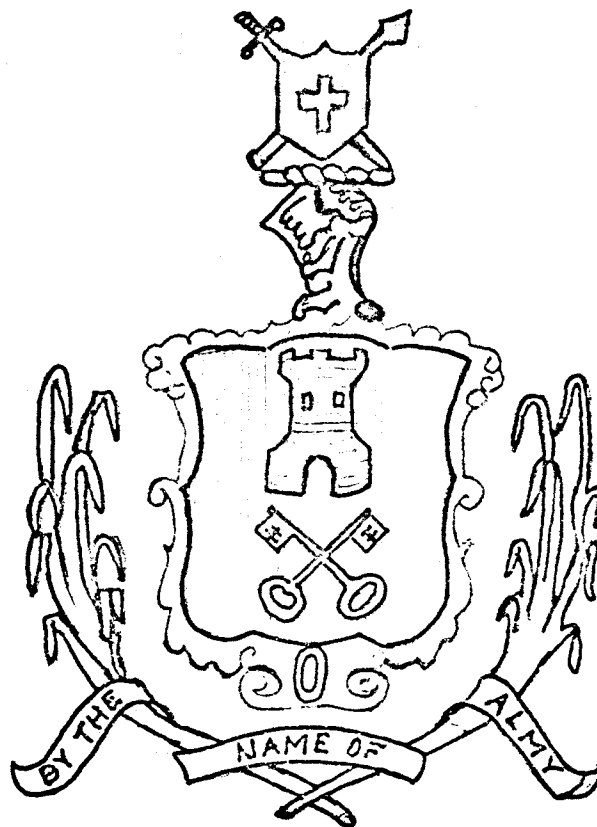


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Prior Newsletters

I have sent (or given) a copy of each of the 4 preceding Newsletters to everyone that has indicated interest. If you have not received all 4 copies, please let me know.

Lost Correspondence?

I have written to quite a few of you requesting additional information, usually with Almy Family Tree Work Charts to complete. I have not received replies from about 30 of these letters and I'm wondering if any of my letters or the replies have been lost. I will list the individuals from whom I have not received replies in the next Newsletter in hopes of finding out about any lost correspondence. If you are one that has not replied, I would appreciate hearing from you before the next Newsletter.

Almy Reunion

I have received a number of suggestions that there be an Almy Family Reunion or some such type gathering. I agree that such an affair would be interesting and a lot of fun. However, at present I do not have the time to plan and organize such an affair on my own. Do I have volunteers? I would appreciate comments and suggestions regarding where it should be held (New England, Washington, D.C., Mid-West), meeting place, time of year, activities, etc. Even if you are not volunteering, please write and let me know if you would be interested in attending such a gathering of Almys.

Almy Numbering System

One of the primary objectives of my Almy research is to identify as many Almys as possible. To assist in compiling and controlling this information I have adopted an identification system by which the descendants of Almy immigrants are numbered. So far, I know for sure of only one Almy immigrant: William Almy, born 1601 in England.

Under the numbering system I use, persons are identified by their ancestry. Each Almy descendant has a number which indicates their father, and their other Almy ancestors back to the immigrant, order of birth (whether first child, etc.), and his or her generation in America. With these numbers, the relationship between Almys can also be determined.

Under the numbering system each immigrant Almy has a number (William above is No. 1, and others will be numbered consecutively as identified). The children of a number have the parent's number plus an additional digit in order of birth. Therefore, a 2 digit number means 2nd generation, 10 digit number means 10th generation. Number for order of birth is 1 through 9, 0 for tenth child, A for 11th, B for 12th, C for 13th, etc. This type of system allows for unlimited expansion as more descendants are identified. Following is an illustration using the first three generations of Almys.

1. William Almy (1601-1676) m. Audrey Barlow and had:
 11. Anne Almy (1626-1709)
 12. Christopher Almy (1632-1713)
 13. John Almy (-1676)
 14. Job Almy (1641-1684)
 15. Catherine Almy
12. Christopher Almy (1632-1713) m. Elizabeth Cornell and had:
 121. Sarah Almy (1662-1708)
 122. Elizabeth Almy (1663-1712)
 123. William Almy (1665-1747)
 124. Ann Almy (1667-)
 125. Christopher Almy (1669-1746)
 126. Rebecca Almy (1671-1708)
 127. John Almy (1673-1673)
 128. Job Almy (1675-1743)
 129. child (1676-died young)
14. Job Almy (1641-1684) m. Mary Unthank and had:
 141. William Almy (1664-1664)
 142. Christopher Almy (1664-1664)
 143. William Almy (1665-1666)
 144. Susanna Almy (1667-)
 145. Audrey Almy (1669-)
 146. Deborah Almy (1671-)
 147. Katharine Almy (1674-)
 148. John Almy (1676-)
 149. Mary Almy (1678-)
 140. Job Almy (1681-1767)
 - 14A. Anthony Almy (1682-1711)

Almy Numbering System (cont.)

As you can see, the order of birth (dates of birth) is important in establishing the identification number. So far, I have charted out and numbered about 1,300 descendants of the immigrant William. These include 56 of you who receive this Almy newsletter. Following are the Almy identification numbers for Almys having numbers that have been mentioned in the first four issues of the Newsletter.

Louise S. Almy, wife of 1407-1C74-31
 Rev. "Wes" Almy of Santa Fe, N.M. 1408-4523-11
 Mrs. Margaret Chatigney of Calif. 1407-2C23-21
 Gene Almy of Fort Worth, Tex. 1407-1C73-41
 Mrs. Forrest Estes of Lincoln, Nebr. 1407-1C72-5
 Richard Almy of Front Royal, Va. 1233-5143-222

I separate the identification number into 4 digit groups for easier reading. From now on I will use an individuals identification number, if known, in the Newsletter. There are still a lot of you that I have not been able to tie into my charts back to the immigrant. As soon as I do tie you in, you'll have a number.

To determine relationship between two Almys, you compare their numbers. The following chart explains how the system works.

Almy No.	Almy No.	
1	1	
4	4	same individual
0	0	
3	5	brothers
5	4	1st cousin
1	9	2nd cousin
4	8	3rd cousin
3	6	4th cousin
	2	4th cousin, once removed
	2	4th cousin, twice removed
	2	4th cousin, thrice removed

Reading the above chart, 1403 and 1405 are brothers, 14035 and 14054 are 1st cousins, and 1403-5143 and 1405-4986-22 are 4th cousins, twice removed. I hope I have not confused you. If I have, write your questions and I'll try to straighten out the explanation in the next Newsletter.

Visiting Washington in the Bicentennial Year?

I hereby extend an invitation for all Almys coming to the Washington, D.C. area this year, or anytime, to give me a call during their visit. My phone number is in the Virginia section of the D.C. area phone book. I would like very much to meet or at least talk with you all.

Contributors to the Cause

The following have sent contributions to help defray the cost of sending out these newsletters. The Almy Identification No. is after the name. Unkn. means the number is presently unknown.

Mrs. Raymond Johnson	Ariz.	1408-3822-11
Mrs. Helen Beamer	Cal.	Unkn.
Millie Almy	Cal.	Unkn.
Donald G. Almy	Cal.	1407-1C74-31
Mrs. Margaret Chatigny	Cal.	1407-2C23-21
Mrs. Everett Martin	Iowa	1407-1C71-1
William D. Almy	Md.	1239-2165-181
Mrs. Charles Almy	Mass.	1407-1712-4
Mrs. Emma B. Almy	Mich.	Unkn.
Mrs. Forrest Estes	Nebr.	1407-1C72-5
Rev. "Wes" Almy	N.M.	1408-4523-11
H. Raymond Almy	N.Y.	Unkn.
Mrs. Mary Almy Merrell	N.Y.	Unkn.
Mrs. Irvin S. Danielson	N.Y.	Unkn.
Mrs. Everett Atwell	N.C.	1233-5180-33
Mrs. Janet Almy	Ore.	1407-1C71-31
Rogers H. Almy	R.I.	1407-1426-11
Mrs. Hazel V. Almy	S.C.	Unkn.
Mrs. George Nichols	Va.	1233-5147-233
Floyd C. Almy	Wash.	Unkn.

I am not always able to promptly acknowledge receipt of contributions and then, because I get involved in other things, the acknowledgement is overlooked. Therefore, I want at this time to thank all the above for their thoughtful contributions.

In addition to those who have sent money, many of you have sent interesting clippings and other data which I very much appreciate. Much of this information will be used in future issues of the Newsletter.

Religion

I have had inquiries as to why I have not asked for the religion on the Almy Family Tree Work Charts that I have sent out for many of you to complete.

The fact that there were so many religions in the World and denominations in the United States used to worry me and I hoped that someday there would be just one religion. I have now come to realize that God intended to have different religions because peoples' needs are different. Some people need the strict religious rules of certain denominations while others need the freedom allowed by others. The various religions just represent different pathways to follow in reaching one's realization of his relationship to God.

Under the philosophy expressed above, one's religious preference is really immaterial and therefore I have not requested it. However, when known I will record it the same as other data regarding the individual.

Your cousin, 1408-3311-112

Merwin