

# Alfred F. Young, 1925 – 2012

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Alfred F. Young, a pioneer of the "new labor history," noted social historian of the early American nation, and a founding editor of *Labor: Studies in Working-Class History of the Americas*, died on November 6, 2012 at age 87. Many know him from his passionate and original investigation of the lives of working people, including *The Shoemaker and the Tea Party: Memory and the American Revolution*(2000), *Masquerade: The Life and Times of Deborah Sampson, Continental Soldier* (2005), and, most recently, as co-editor of a recent collection of essays, *Revolutionary Founders: Rebels, Radicals and Reformers in the Making of the Nation* (2012). His earlier essay collections, *The American Revolution* (1976) and *Beyond the American Revolution* (1993), highlighted the work of a new generation of historians, many of whom became leaders in the discipline.

Read the entirety of Jesse Lemisch, Leon Fink, Rosemary Feurer's remembrance of Al Young at LaborOnline.

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