

First World War Service Record of Arthur Rushton Bickham

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The Secretary,
War Office, (Accounts 4)
S. Kensington, S.W.7.

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SPECIAL PAYMENT
Schedule No. 11-7 of the 11-11-19
Estate of the late. 11-11-19
Regiment. R.A.
Serial Number 11806064 1910-22

Replying to your Memorandum of the
I beg to inform you that 8/11/19
dated 11-11-19 for £167-11-7 in favour of the
Bickham Reg. has been credited to effect of the
will be shown in my March account. Awaiting
your further instructions.

Exhibition Road, S.W.7.
11.3.20
1920
Lady Superintendent.
for Command Paymaster.
EASTERN COMMAND.

WAR OFFICE
RECEIVED
15 MAR 1920
53540
OFFICE REGISTER

RECORD NOTED
1920

SMARRATT & SAXON.
SOLICITORS.

WALTER J. SMARRATT
HAROLD SAXON
COMMISSIONERS FOR OATHS.
TEL. NO. 1317 CENTRAL.

89 Fountain Street,

Manchester 30th Jan'y 19

Sir,

*See letter to
H.M. Prison
about 1/2*

A.R. Rickham dead, late R.G.A.
No. 118060/4 (Account 4).

On the 11th November last we received from the Command Paymaster, Eastern Command on behalf of the Executor of the above a Draft for the sum of £167-11-7 the net amount of War Gratuity due to the deceased. This Draft was in favour of the two Executors of the deceased & had to be presented for payment within one month.

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We enclose a copy of the letter dated 12th November 1919 which we wrote to the Command Paymaster setting out the position and returning the Draft. Beyond an acknowledgment of this letter and the information that the letter had been forwarded to you, we have heard nothing further in the matter.

We shall be obliged if you will inform us when we may expect payment of the Gratuity.

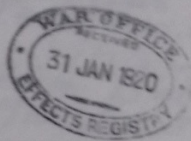
The deceased died on February 15th 1919 & we are most anxious to wind up the estate and pay the balance of the death duties.

Yours obediently,

Wm Rickham

Assistant Financial Secretary,
War Office,
Imperial Institute,
South Kensington,
London, S.W.7.

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89 Fountain Street,

Manchester.

12th Novr 1919.

Sir,

A. R. Bickham dead - late R.G.A.

Ref. No. 6671.

With reference to the enclosed Draft received from you yesterday.

One of the Executors, Walter Saxon Bickham returned to India on the 29th ultimo. Every effort was made by the Executors to obtain payment before this Executor left the County.

As the Draft is made out, it would in our opinion, require to be discharged by both the payees.

It is intended to pay the Draft into the Whitworth Street Manchester Branch of the Williams Deacons Bank Ltd to the credit of the Executors account.

We think if the words "Executors of A. R. Bickham deceased" were added after the names of the payees, that the Draft could be discharged by John Bell the Executor at present in England.

If you approve of this, we shall be much obliged if you will have these words added or the time for the presentation of the Draft extended to three months to enable us to send the Draft to India.

Yours obediently.

SHARRATT & SAXON.

Command Paymaster,
Eastern Command,
Science Museum,
Exhibition Road,
South Kensington.
LONDON, S.W.7.

Not for Schedule

EFFECTS ISSUE FORM.

No. 10a

No. of Paper 118060/4

Record No. 49
033546

Year 1919/20

Name, &c. and Lieutenant Arthur Rushton Bickham,

Regiment Royal Garrison Artillery,

Whether a Will exists

Domicile

Whether born in wedlock

Whether ever married

Probated Will

Amounts of present credits £165 4 11 Balance of Gratuity
2 6 8 Lodging £167 11 7 Total.

Date of death 15th February 1919

Issue as under —

Amount	Relationship	Name(s) in full	Address(es)	Remarks
£167.11.7	Executor	Walter Bickham and John Bell Esq	Messrs. Bickham, Solicitors, 89 Fountain Street Manchester.	Pay by draft

Pay through the G.P.O. on receipt
being the balance of the Gratuity £167 11 7 due to the estate of
this late

Shares retained

Amount £167 11 7 For whom

Instructions for acquait overleaf.

WSB—HFB—100,000 500 100,000 500
200—HFB—100,000 500

Telephone : Victoria 8452-3.

Telegraphic Address :

"Warpension, Vic, London."

MINISTRY OF PENSIONS,

Secretary's Office,

WESTMINSTER HOUSE,

MILLEBANK,

LONDON, S.W. 1.

MINISTRY OF PENSIONS,

(OFFICERS' BRANCH)

NEW NORTH ST.,

THOROLD'S RD.,

LONDON, W.C. 1.

June 13th 1919

Dear Mr. Dawson.

Will you be good enough to
let me have as soon as possible
the O.T. & O.T.A. in reference to the
case of Act. Capt. Arthur Rushton,
Bickham, 155th Heavy Battery R.F.A.,
who died at Lyndhurst-Altringham
Cheshire, as the people are
urging a decision in the case

R. 19/6 9 am.

Yours sincerely

Register No. 118060/4
(Acc 16 4.)

Extract from ~~Letters of Administration (Will annexed).~~
Probate of Will.
Confirmation.

Dated 3rd May 1919

Granted at P.P.R.

Resealed

1. Estate of Arthur Rushton Bickham of Hill View Alderley Edge in the
Co of Chester formerly of 8 Great Marlborough St Manchester
in the Co of Lancaster Capt: R.G.A.
2. Date and Place of Death 15th February 1919 at Lyndhurst Altrincham in the Co
of Chester
3. Will *Formal Will dated 2.11.15.*
4. Grantees *Walter Saxon Bickham Brother of deceased and John Bell
the Executors named in the said Will*
5. Gross value £ 2901.5.0.
6. Disposal of Medals } *To the Brothers Walter Saxon Bickham*
Decorations }
7. Extracted by) Messrs Sharratt & Saxon,
Solicitors,
89 Fountain Street,
Manchester.
8. Produced by)
9. Returned to)
10. Date of Registration 30.7.19.

22/8/18 3m 6/18 J.P. Gp.
37/25/626 5m (2) 11/18

no of P. Ref. No. 007 98193

OFFICERS' RELATIVES.

APPLICATION TO WAR OFFICE FOR REPORT

F. 3, War Office,

Application for pension has been made by Miss Bickham
33 Bath Lane Newcastle-on-Tyne
as Sister of Capt Arthur Rushton Bickham
Regt. or Corps. 155th East Lancashire Heavy Battery R.G.A.

Will you kindly furnish Form O. 7. 207a.

Letter states Officer "died of Pneumonia"

March 15th 1919.

M. Lay.
R. & P.
21-3-19.