




Service Record

<p>1716347</p>	<p>Gunner THOMAS LESLIE SMITH</p>	<p>95 Bty., 48 Lt. A.A. Regt. Royal Artillery</p>	
<p>Roll of Honour</p>	<p>Died August 18thth 1945, age 39. Buried [Commemorated] at Labuan War Cemetery, Labuan Island (in Brunei Bay off NW Borneo coast), Malaysia. Grave reference Q.B.4 Smith was a prisoner of war of the Japanese. He died in Garut, Java four days after the Japanese surrender. The Japanese invaded Borneo on 13th December 1941. On 19th January 1942 British North Borneo was surrendered by Governor Charles Smith, who was interned with other staff. Fighting continued until allied troops surrendered on 1st April 1942. Japan surrendered on 15th August 1945</p>		<p>In Memory of Gunner Thomas Leslie Smith 1716347, 95 Bty., 48 Lt. A.A. Regt., Royal Artillery who died on 18 August 1945 Age 39 Son of George and Ada Smith, of Bingham, Nottinghamshire; husband of Elizabeth Smith, of Bingham.</p> <p>Remembered with Honour Labuan War Cemetery</p>  <p>Commemorated in perpetuity by the Commonwealth War Graves Commission</p>
<p>95 Bty., 48 Lt. A.A. Regt. Royal Artillery</p>	<p>The 48th Light Anti-Aircraft Regiment was a Royal Artillery Territorial unit. It was established in November 1940 (11/1940) and in in February 1942 deployed to Java. It was a component of the 16th Anti-Aircraft Brigade armed with Bofors 40 mm. It comprised the 49th, 95th, and 242nd Batteries. It fell to the Japanese in March 1942 and many personnel were taken prisoner. https://en.valka.cz/topic/view/46519#181784</p>		

Family history etc

	THOMAS LESLIE SMITH	
1906	Born in Bingham	
1939 Register	40, Council Houses, Bingham, Nottinghamshire Leslie Thomas Smith, b. 8 May, 1906 Elizabeth Smith b. 25 Jan, 1910 Elizabeth Iris Smith b. 22 Mar, 1933, single John Eric Frettingham Smith b. 6 Mar, 1938 George Albert Jones b. 24 th July, 1880, married	Labourer Public Works Contract Unpaid domestic duties At school Under school age Ganger, Public Works Contractor
1939 Register	Station Street, Bingham George Smith, b. 9 October 1878 Ada Smith, b. 21 December 1884 John Cooper, b. 16 July 1900 Elizabeth Cooper, b. 22 July 1904	NOTE: Mill Manager's cottage next door to Northleigh Cattle Food Miller Unpaid domestic duties Railway Clerk Unpaid domestic duties
Marriage	Thomas Leslie Smith married Elizabeth Frettingham in Bingham 26 March 1932 Children: Elizabeth Iris Smith b. 1933 John Eric Frettingham Smith b. 1939	
Family	Father George Smith married mother Ada Kettleband 7 th May 1904 Bingham Children: Elizabeth b. 22 July 1904 Thomas Smith b. Bingham 8 May, 1906 George William Smith b. Bingham 22 August, 1908 May Smith b. Bingham 12 March, 1913	
Father's Family 1911 Census	Wright's Row, Nottingham Road, Bingham Father: George Smith, b. 1878 Mother: Ada Smith (née Kettleband) b. 1884 Thomas Leslie Smith b. 8 May, 1906 Thomas' siblings: Elizabeth b. 22 July 1904 George William Smith, b. 22 August 1908	Carter and General Labourer in grocery trade
Mother's family 1911 census	10 Long Acre Row, Bingham Damaris Kettleband (née Blatherwick) b. 1855 Gunthorpe, widow George Kettleband, b. 1895 Bingham	Charwoman Carter George was killed in action 7 June 1917
Wife's family 1911	26 Coal Pit Lane, Nottingham Grandfather: Thomas Frettingham b.1873, Nottingham Grandmother: Elizabeth Frettingham (née Brammer)	Fruiterer

census	<p>b.1878, Nottingham Mother: Elizabeth Frettingham b.1910, Nottingham Mother's siblings: Ethel b. 1901, Nottingham May b. 1903, Nottingham Alfred b. 1907, Nottingham Elsie b. 1909, Nottingham</p>	<p>Elizabeth died 21 May 1985, 11 Carnarvon Place Bingham</p>
1898	<p>Thomas Frettingham and Elizabeth married 4 April 1898 St Lukes Nottingham</p>	
From the registers	<p>Ada Smith died 18 April 1964 at 11 Station Street, Bingham George Smith died 23 May 1972 at 22 Carnarvon Place Elizabeth Smith m. Sep 1929 William Cooper in Bingham (1901-1975); d. 20 June 1977 Nottingham General Hospital George William Smith m. Dec 1931 Daisy Emmeline Mills (1908-1996) in Bingham, three children (1m 2f); d. 5 Sep 1991 at Nottingham City Hospital May Smith m. 1934 In Bingham to John Millson Hampson (1902-1968); d. June 1974 Mansfield. John Eric Frettingham Smith m. Mar 1963 in Bingham to Pauline Miller; d. 10 February 1989 age 50 (2 sons) 14 Garden Road.</p>	