

Ralph Brettell Morris
Sergeant in the Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, 206 Squadron
Service number 741251
Age 21

Ralph was born at Bombay (present day Mumbai) on 8 April 1919. He was baptised at St Stephens Church, Bandra, in the diocese of Bombay, the son of Raleigh Williamson Morris, and of Marrion Morris. The family were then living at Pali Hill, an affluent suburb of Bombay. Ralph's father Raleigh was a banker.

Raleigh Williamson Morris aged 31 married Marrion Chambers aged 22 at Bombay, India, in December 1916.

In September 1939, Raleigh and Marrion were living at Brimley Lawn, 1 Vivian Park, Swanage. Raleigh was a retired bank manager.

Raleigh died in October 1939 aged 56. Marrion died in early 1969 aged 74.

Ralph died on 12th February 1941. During this time 206 squadron was based at RAF Bircham Newton in Norfolk and was involved in coastal defence. They were flying in a Hudson 1 serial number T9346. The aircraft crashed at sea on return from an operational flight and four in the crew died. Ralph was noted as missing believed killed.

Administration was awarded to his mother in November 1941. Effects £535 8s 1d.

Ralph's address was given as Topsham, East Street, Corfe Castle.



Memorial stone bearing a bronze RAF Crest. Inscription ROYAL AIR FORCE BIRCHAM NEWTON 1918-1962

Commemorated on the Runnymede Memorial and on the memorial at Corfe Castle