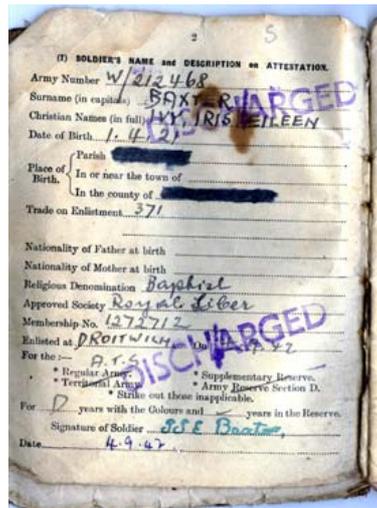


Surname: Barham	First Name(s): Ivy Iris Eileen (Bunty)	Army Number: W/212468	
Maiden name (if applicable): Baxter	Name used during service: Baxter / Barham	Rank: Private	
Main base:	Training base:	Enrolled at: Droitwich	
Platoon/Section: 8 th A.A. M.T. Company, ATS	Company/Battery: 160 (M) H.A.A.	Group/Regiment: Royal Artillery	Command: A.A. Command
Year(s) of service: 4/9/1942 to 29/6/1944	Reason for discharge: Family reasons	Trade: Dispatch Rider	
Uniform Issued: S.D. B.D. Dispatch Rider Helmet Gauntlets M/C Boots M/C Coat	Photo: 		
Description of daily tasks:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Delivering documents to various Anti-aircraft sites, accompanying Services VIP cars, attempted to learn to drive car. 		

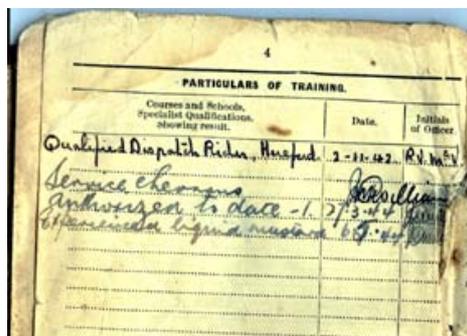
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Memorable moments:

- One day Private Barham was sent alone to Portsmouth (from the London Area) to escort a high ranking Officer who was in charge of the Anti-aircraft defences in the South East. Apparently when they met up she took off her dispatch rider's helmet, causing the Officer to exclaim "...Blimey -a woman !!!!"
- Experienced liquid mustard gas.
- Guided the O.I.C. of the Anti-aircraft Batteries defending London from Southampton to London in dense fog. The reason for his visit was to present the A.A. Battery to which she was attached with the tail rudder from a Heinkel Bomber. Apparently the Battery shot it down from the highest altitude ever achieved up till that time.
- Taught to drive a jeep.... and told to back the jeep into a garage. The Sergeant who was instructing told her he was off to make the char and despite a request for help to guide her in, he went off....
The jeep was almost in the garage when there was a loud crash ,,,,she had backed into a large searchlight mirror smashing it into little pieces. The result was being hauled up in front of the C/O, a fine and confined to barracks for some time. I believe she still thought it unfair to the day she died.

Photos:



28 JUN 1944
W. & B. Baxter
Q.M. 160 (M) H.A.A. REG.
Q.M. 160 (M) H.A.A. REG. 2.

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DISCHARGE CERTIFICATE
(If this Certificate is lost no duplicate can be obtained.)
Army Number *40 212468*
SURNAME *BAXTER*
Christian Names *WY. JAMES EILEEN*
Effective Date of Discharge *29th JUNE 1944*
Corps from which Discharged *A.T.S.*
Effective Service: Years *1* Days *300*
Total Service: Years *1* Days *300*
QUEEN'S SERVICE

Rank on Discharge *Private*
Cause of Discharge *FOR FAMILY REASONS*
Previous Service in Corps *N/A*
Military Conduct *Good*
Signature and Rank *E. Edson*
A.T.S. RECORD OFFICE
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Form posthumously completed by Tony Barham, son of 'Bunty' Barham