



**Name** **DONALD AUBREY CHATHAM**

**DOB** July - September 1923

**Place of birth** Wandsworth

**Lived at** Father living at Sherborne, Longton Rd in 1944

**Occupation**

**Family** Father Robert Felton Chatham (b 1897 d 1981), Mother Gwenllian Broughton [b1898 d1970], married in 1921 in Surrey. He had an older brother Robert Broughton Felton Chatham. His father moved to Trentham in August 1939 as Chief Inspector of the National Clearing House based in Trentham Gardens for the duration of the war.

**Marital Status** Single



**Service** 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion Oxford and Bucks Light Infantry [Also his father's regiment in WW1]

**Reg number** 299761

**Rank** Promoted from cadet to 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant 7 November 1943

**Rank at death** Lieutenant

**Date of death** Died Wednesday, October 25, 1944

**Age at death** Age 21

**Place of death** The Netherlands

**Cause of death** Believe to have died during Operation "Market Garden" supporting airborne troops in the invasion of The Netherlands

**Grave or Memorial** NEDERWEERT WAR CEMETERY. I. C. 8.

**Medals**

**Other information** Probate £148 0s 3d to his father Robert Felton Chatham  
Grave inscription: TO LIVE HE SMILED - HE SMILED TO SERVE AND DIE



Cap badge of the Oxford & Bucks Light Infantry



Men of the 1st Battalion, Oxford and Bucks Light Infantry, in forward positions on the road to 's-Hertogenbosch, 24 October 1944



Donald Aubrey Chatham's war grave

