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THE ANGLO -AMERICAN ISHAM ANCESTRY ASSOCIATION



#### KING GEORGE V

# AN ORDER OF CHIVILRY

## THE MOST EXCELLANT ORDER OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE

INSTITUTED BY KING GEORGE V ON 4TH. JUNE 1917

"FOR GOD AND THE EMPIRE"
"FOR MERITORIOUS SERVICE"

#### OBE

### OFFICER OF THE ORDER OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE

KING GEORGE V WISHED TO HONOUR
THE MANY THOUSANDS WHO HAD SERVED
IN NON-COMBATANT CAPACITIES
DURING THE FIRST WORLD WAR.

NO MORE THAN 858 OFFICERS MAY BE APPOINTED PER YEAR.

APPOINTMENTS ARE MADE ON THE ADVICE OF GOVERNMENTS.

THE "BADGE" IS SUSPENDED ON A ROSE RED RIBBON WITH PEARL GREY EDGES AND IS WORN ON THE LEFT CHEST.

THE BRITISH EMPIRE MEDAL IS MADE OF SILVER
ON THE OBVERSE IS BRITANNIA WITH "FOR MERITORIOUS SERVICE"
ON THE REVERSE IS KING GEORGE V's IMPERIAL AND ROYAL CYPHER
WITH THE WORDS "INSTITUTED BY KING GEORGE V"
AND THE NAME OF THE RECIPIENT IS ENGRAVED ON THE RIM.

THE GRAND MASTER OF THE ORDER IS PRINCE PHILIP, DUKE OF EDINBURGH THE CHAPEL OF THE ORDER IS IN THE CRYPT OF ST. PAUL'S CATHEDRRAL

#### GBE

IN 1944 AT STOWE SCHOOL "ISHAM" NEW-BOY WAS A FAG FOR THE NOW GENERAL SIR FRANK EDWARD KITSON GBE, KCB, MC & BAR, DL b.1926 COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF UK LAND FORCES: 1982-1985

AIDE-DE-CAMP GENERAL TO HRH THE QUEEN ELIZABETH II: 1983-1985 HE WAS HEAD BOY, HEAD OF CHANDOS HOUSE, SENIOR CADET AND WAS APPOINTED TO FIELD MARSHALL MONTGOMERY WHEN HE VISITED THE SCHOOL. HE WAS A VERY NICE FELLOW AND HELPED ME SETTLE IN AFTER ARRIVING FROM THE ARGENTINE ON A FROZEN MEAT SHIP IN A NORTH ATLANTIC CONVOY IN 1944.