

Ref: FOI2024-057

04 December 2024

Dear Ms [REDACTED]

Further to our previous correspondence regarding your request for the following information:

*I am the daughter of RAF Flying Officer Robert Shaun Gibb,
DOB 11.03.1935
Service no: 4126400*

He was known as "boy pilot" and he flew through the Grapple Y mushroom cloud in 1958. He participated in the following tests which are corroborated by his flying log book.

- *Grapple 2 - May 1957*
- *Grapple 3 - June 1957*
- *Antler - Sept 1957*
- *Grapple Y - Apr 1958*

He was awarded the Nuclear Test Medal by the MOD in 2023.

I would like to request the following

- *un-redacted copies of his medical files*
- *a copy of the outside of his medical envelope
(this will act as an index of all of the contents in his medical file)*
- *a copy of the Army Form 21
(this is the form which will have his radiation and blood readings)*
- *Any and blood test urine tests taken before and after his detonations*

Your request has been handled as a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (the Act).

A search has carried out to locate the information you requested and we can confirm that AWE has not been able to locate any relevant information.

Under Section 16 of the FOI Act (advice and assistance) you might find it helpful to note that AWE does not hold service records for former service personnel and we do not hold medical files. As Mr Gibb served in the Royal Air Force you may wish to re-direct your request to the MOD at CIO-FOI-IR@mod.gov.uk. However, AWE does hold dosimetry information relating to Mr. Gibb. Should you wish to request this information, please let us know, and we would be happy to assist.

Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications. If you have any queries regarding the content of this letter, please contact this office in the first instance.

If you are unhappy with the way your request has been handled you have a right to request an internal review within 40 days of receiving this letter, by writing to information.requests@awe.co.uk or our postal address: Information Requests Team, AWE Aldermaston, Reading, RG7 4PR. If you are still unhappy after an internal review has been completed, under the provisions of Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 you have the right to take your complaint to the Information Commissioner's Office. Please note the Commissioner will generally not consider a complaint until you have exhausted AWE's internal complaints process.

Yours sincerely,

AWE Information Requests Team