

20-11-18

Glynne Arms Hotel
Station Road
Buckley
Nr Chester

Dear Captain

I was very pleased to receive such a fine I sympathies letter from you; I really can't express my gratitude to you as it is of some satisfaction to me to have such a nice letter from his (Captain). I was very much upset to hear the fatal news, but as you said you would be pleased to help in anyway you could, I would just like these few questions answered if is convenient to you.

Firstly the time of day he was hit, what part of his body, how long did he live after being hit & did he speak when hit, did you hear him wish for anything at all, & lastly of all could you tell me where he is buried, if possible I would like a photo of his grave, no matter what it costs if it is possible to have one, as when things clear up, I may come & see the last place of him.

Now Captain I am asking perhaps to much, but if there is anytime in your life you are spared to come round our way we would gladly welcome you. With reference to the grave, we have only to know the cost & it shall be forwarded at once, he also had a few things in his pockets & we would like them.

His wife has just given birth to a son 2 days ago making a total of 5 children & we are writing to you on her behalf as the doctor thinks it advisable for her not to know for a week or so about his death, & the particulars we can hand over to her when the doctor thinks it advisable.

I beg to remain

Sir Obediently

Mrs L Beavan – Collins Mother

Captain DB Anthony
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