

## **A Thought on Christmas Eve – 2010**

**On this day, December 24<sup>th</sup> 1944, the Mighty Eighth Air Force launched the biggest air armada ever. Over 2,000 bombers clawed their way into freezing fog as they slowly assembled to support the ground troops struggling to hold back the German forces in what became known as 'The Battle of the Bulge'.**

**At Nuthampstead, two B-17Gs crashed on take-off and as a result two young American lives were lost on this freezing cold December morning.**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Lt Franklin D Harrod & S/Sgt David V Flores paid the ultimate sacrifice this fateful day.**

**As we gather with family and friends this Christmas, let us spare a thought for all those who made this day possible.**





***They are always in our thoughts at Christmas.***

***To all our friends at this special time – Ozzie & Joyce***