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Dear Lil,

Many thanks for your letter, dated 25TH JUNE, it was kind of you to reply after all this time.

I do apologise if I intruded on your privacy, with my letter, it was the last thing I would have wished. I receive the 306TH B.C. newsletter often, and enjoy reading it. I spotted Henry's name in one of these roster sheets, and as I had no information concerning Thurleigh I thought I would write. I do understand Henry not wanting to talk about his experiences, considering what young fellows like Henry were asked to do.

I myself was not born until 1947, so missed this section of my local history, but have been fascinated by it for about 20 years. At present I am busy preparing an exhibition, to commemorate the 50TH anniversary of the arrival to the U.K. of the United States 8TH Air Force. P.T.O.

I have tried to cover all of the airfield bases, in my immediate area.

Well Lil, you have already given me some super information concerning Henry and his time in the Air Force, it is much appreciated. If Henry could answer any of the following I would be very grateful, How many missions did Henry fly? What decorations was he awarded, was he ever wounded, does he still have any mementoes, uniform, equipment etc that he used whilst flying, and lastly did he experience any crash landings due to battle damage.

Your offer of photo copies would be great, as I could use them in one of my future exhibitions, I am appalled at times at the lack of interest shown by the younger generation over here, so try to redress the situation with these events.

Please Lil, any costs you incur, I will be pleased to reimburse, so do not hesitate, it is me who will be most grateful. One again many thanks for taking the trouble to write, I know it can be a chore at times. My regards to Henry and especially to you. Take care.

Best Wishes

Richard.