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LEFT. 1st Lt. CHARLES. F. GUM. U.S.A. AIR FORCE.

RIGHT. S. Sgt. GEORGE W. LEONARD. U.S.A. AIR FORCE.

1st Lt Charles F Gumm, USA Air Force (left) & S Sgt George W Leonard USA Air Force (right). Lt. Gumm & Sgt. Leonard examining guns which had just shot down two Me 109s. Lt Gumm, single handed, attacked eight evening fighters which were attacking a crippled Flying Fortress. Lt. Gumm was the airman who sacrificed his life for the inhabitants of Nayland, March 1st 1944 when he deliberately steered his stricken plane away from the houses and crash landed in the Meadow to the north of the River Stour.