

As a compassionate commanding officer of a Nazi work camp, ZoltÁn Kubinyi saved the lives of 100 condemned prisoners. (Courtesy Marta Fuchs)

Divine intervention? Marta doesn't doubt it.

## 'He saved our lives'

The new officer was Kubinyi, who not only was not interested in pursuing the decimation authorization, but who refused to march the men to a Nazi concentration camp when the order came. Instead, he marched them into Hungary, where he hid the men for months in various farmhouses, doing work on the farms in exchange for food.

"At one point someone reported this large group of men working in the fields," Marta said. "The military police suddenly appeared. So that night he hosted the police officers and got them nice and drunk, and when they were soundly sleeping he woke up the men in the middle of the night and they escaped."

When the Russian Army finally arrived to liberate the work-camp prisoners, Marta said the Hungarian guards removed their uniforms so they would not be taken as prisoners of war.



Stars symbolic of the stars of David Jews were required to wear in Nazi Germany were worn by guests at the Yom HaShoah/Holocaust Memorial Commemoration at the Utah State Capitol Rotunda in Salt Lake City, Utah April 16, 2004. (Tom Smart, Descret News)