

Fragments of a Family: Remembering Hungary, the Holocaust, and Emigration to a New World

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Key to Family Members Interviewed *

Dad - born Fuchs Miksa, 1911 Tokaj. Now Morton Fuchs. [Lives in CA]
Father, Fuchs Henrik; Mother, Billitzer Ida.

Mom - born Engel Ilona, 1918 Kis Tokaj. Now Ilona Fuchs. [Lives in CA]
Father, Engel Salamon; Mother, Szá sz Flora.

Mom's sisters and brother-in-law (all born in Kis Tokaj):

Sá rika né ni - born Engel Sarolta, 1922. Now Charlotte Kohn. [Lives in NY]

Miklós bácsi - born Kohn Miklós, 1921. Sá rika né ni's husband. Now Michael Kohn.
[Lives in NY]

Bö zsi né ni - born Engel Erzsébet, 1914. Now Elizabeth Scharman. [Lives in NY]

Margit né ni - born Engel Margit, 1911. Now Margit Klein. [Lives in CA]

René e né ni - born Engel Regina, 1909. Now René e Rosenblum. [Lives in CA]

Dad's extended family (related on Billitzer side):

É va - born Ló rand É va Hajnalka, 1935 Budapest. (Family name Lorá nd originally Lieberman) Now É va Verebes. [Lives in Canada]

Robi - born Verebes Ró bert Miksa, 1934 Budapest. É va's husband. [Lives in Canada]

Aranka - born Propper Aranka, 1904 Tolcsva. (First husband was Lorá nd Gyula) Was known as Dr.Nemes Lajosné . [Continued to live in Hungary and died there in 1994.]

Veronica - born Lorá nd Veronika Hé di, 1928/29 Miskolc. Aranka's daughter. Now Veronica Berk. [Lives in CA]

Imre - born Nová k Imre, 1924 Budapest. (Mother was Lieberman Sá ri) Now Uri Nová k. [Lives in Israel]

[É va, Veronica, and Imre are first cousins]

Mom's extended family (related on Szász side):

Peter - born Szivos Péter, 1935 Budapest. (Family name originally Schwartz.)

[Lives in England]

Jutka - born Schwartz Judit, 1935 Budapest. Now Szabó Miklósné. [Lives in Hungary]

Miklós - born Szabó Miklós, 1927 Budapest. Jutka's husband. [Lives in Hungary]

Klári - born Blitz Klára, 1928 Sárospatak. (Mother was Schwartz Margit) Was known as Kálmánovits Tiborné. [Lived in Hungary and died there in 1992]

[Peter, Jutka, and Klári are first cousins]

Mom's extended family (related on Engel side):

Sanyi - born Löwy Alex, 1921 Pozsony. [Lives in Israel]

Rózsi néni - born Hillman Rózi [in Hungarian], Ruzena [in Slovak], 1906 Ungvár (now Uzhorod). (First husband was Grossman Herman, originally Groszman)

Was known as Rose Stark. [Lived and died in CA in 1997]

Otto - born Grossman Otto, 1930 Kassa (now Kosice). [Lives in Australia]

Irwin - born Grossman Ervin, 1933 Kassa. [Lives in CA]

Second generation:

Susan - born Grossman Zsuzsi [in Hungarian], Zlata [in Slovak], 1945 Kassa. Sister of Otto and Irwin. Now Susan Freedy. [Lived in CA; recently moved to Israel]

Vera - born Kohn Veronika, 1949 Tokaj. Daughter of Sárika néni & Miklós bácsi. [Lives in NY]

Lucy - born Lucille Anita Verebes, 1963 Montreal. Daughter of Éva and Robi Verebes. Now Lucy Shapiro. [Lives in Canada]

Tomi V. - born Thomas Richard Verebes, 1965 Montreal. Son of Éva and Robi Verebes. [Lives in England]

Sandra - born Sandra Szivos, 1973 London. Daughter of Peter and Barbara Szivos. [Lives in England]

Tomi S. - born Szabó Tamás, 1966 Budapest. Son of Jutka and Miklós Szabó. [Lives in Hungary]

* Listed by name Marta and Henry call them and how they appear in the text. In Hungarian, last name is given first. "Néni" and "bácsi" literally mean "aunt" and "uncle" but are also used as terms of respect and affection for elderly men and women.

For pronunciation of Hungarian names and words throughout the text, "s" sounds like the English "sh"; "sz" sounds like "s"; "zs" like the "s" in "measure"; "c" sounds like "ts"; "ny" sounds like the "gn"

in “cognac”; “j” sounds like “y”; “é ” like the “a” in “ate”; “á ” like the “a” in “ah”; “ö ” like the “i” in “bird”; “ü ” like the “ew” in “new.” [No distinction is made in this manuscript between long and short “ö ” and “ü ” since we didn’t have the long diacritics available on computer.] Accent is always on the first syllable.

All Hungarian interviews (Dad, Mom, Margit né ni, René e né ni, Sá rika né ni and her husband Mikló s bá csi, Bö zsi né ni, Aranka, Jutka and her husband Mikló s and son Tomi S., Klá ri, Sanyi, Janó s Má jer, Lajcsi Lő wy, and Miki Glü ck) were translated by Marta, with editorial assistance by family members and Agnes Mihá lik, who translated Imre’s testimony.