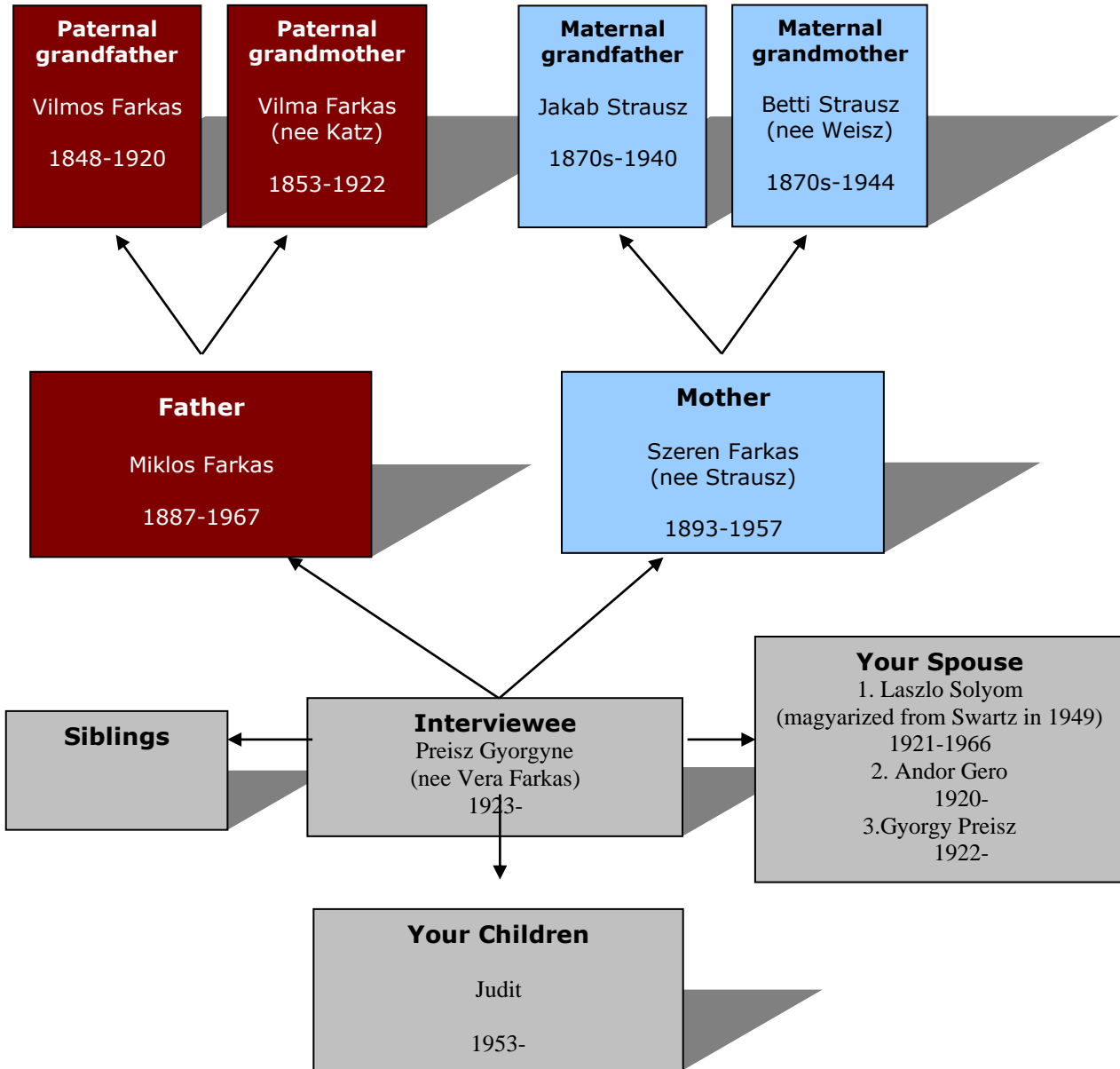


Family Tree



The interviewee and his family

Your full name

Vera Preisz (Farkas), Debora _____

Where and when were you born?

Kallosemjen, 1923 _____

Where else did you live?

Budapest _____

Your educational level?

Middle school, then one-year commercial and secretarial course, then
apprenticeship in corset making _____

What sort of work do/did you do?

Before WWII: dress maker, after WWII: for a short time sewing, then clerk _____

What was the level of religiosity in your parents' home? How were you raised?

Neolog _____

What is your mother tongue?

Hungarian _____

How many languages do you speak?

German (badly) _____

Where were you during the Holocaust?

Forced labor in Kophaza, Hungary and in Austria _____

Siblings

Their names

none

Spouse

Name?

1. Laszlo Solyom (magyarized form Swartz in 1949)

2. Andor Gero

3. Gyorgy Preisz

Where and when was he/she born?

1. Budapest, 1921

2. Budapest, 1920

3. Budapest, 1922

Where else did he live?

Is he/she Jewish?

Yes, all three

What is his/her mother tongue?

Hungarian

His/her educational level?

1. graduated from the Medical University

2. graduated from middle school and learnt the trade of fancy-leather goods making; after the war he went to further trainings (in party school)

3. graduated from high school; completed a chief accountancy course after the war

Occupation?

1. before WWII joiner, after WWII, doctor

2. Before WWII fancy-leather goods maker, after WWII, departmental head in the Budapest city hall, party functionary, parliamentary representative

3. Before WWII tailor, after WWII chief accountant

Where and when did he/she die?

1. Budapest, 1966

2. and 3 are still alive

Children

Were they raised Jewish/do they identify themselves as Jews?

Not really

Where and when were they born?

Budapest, 1953

Where else did they live?

Their names?

Judit

Their educational level?

Graduated from the University of Economics

Their occupations?

Economist

How many grandchildren do you have?

two

Father

His name?

Miklos Farkas

Where and when was he was born?

Szatmarnemeti, 1887

Where else did he live?

Budapest

Where and when did he die?

Budapest, 1967

What sort of education did he have?

Middle school then commercial apprentice school

What sort of work did he do?

Textile merchant with a small shop both before the war and after the war until the nationalizations, after that salesman in a department store

What was his level of religiosity?

Neolog

What was his mother tongue?

Hungarian

Army service: Which army and what years?

1915-1918: Romanian front but no information where

Tell me about his brothers and sisters. (name, date of birth and death, occupation, place of residence, family, etc.)

9 siblings: four girls and five boys. I know very little about those five children that remained in Transylvania and I only know the names of three of them. Gerzson, the eldest, was a tailor. Eszti and Piri probably married. Three of my father's siblings came to Budapest. Helen was a spinster but she raised all the children in the family. Imre, the youngest, born in 1893, worked in a transportation company that transported wood to the Hungarian Railway. Adolf: moved to Budapest in youth, merchant in wood, after the Hungarian Soviet Republic escapes to Vienna where he becomes wealthy. In 1938 moves back to Budapest and sets up successfully his business again. Later emigrated to Switzerland and died there. One daughter, married, lives in Israel.

Where was he during the Holocaust?

In a yellow-star house, then in the ghetto

If he survived, what did he do after?

At first he set up an own small textile shop, and after the nationalizations, he was a salesman in a department store

Paternal grandfather

Your father's father name?

Vilmos Farkas (David Zev ben Ichak Ichik)

Where and when was he born?

Geres, 1848

Where else did he live?

Szatmarnemeti

Where and when did he die?

Szatmarnemeti, 1920

What sort of education did he have?

6 classes of elementary school

What sort of work did he do?

At first he worked as a sacking laborer in a grain warehouse, then he became a storeman there.

What was his level of religiosity?

Orthodox (laid teffilin, read sacred books every day, wore a hat all the time)

What was his mother tongue?

Hungarian

Army service: Which army and what years?

No information

Tell me about his brothers and sisters. (name, date of birth and death, occupation, place of residence, family, etc.)

No information

Where was he during the Holocaust?

Died before

Paternal grandmother

Your father's mother's name?

Vilma Farkas (nee Katz) (Debora) _____

Where and when was she born?

Csomakoz, 1853 _____

Where else did she live?

Szatmarnemeti, Budapest _____

Where and when did she die?

Budapest, 1922 _____

What sort of education did she have?

4 classes of elementary school _____

What sort of work did she do?

Housewife _____

What was her level of religiosity?

Orthodox (wore a kerchief on her head all the time, led a kosher kitchen) _____

What was her mother tongue?

Hungarian _____

Tell me about her brothers and sisters. (name, date of birth and death, occupation, place of residence, family, etc.)

No information _____

Where was she during the Holocaust?

Died before _____

Mother

Her name?

Szeren Farkas (nee Strausz) (Sara) _____

Where and when was she was born?

Kallosemjen, 1893 _____

Where else did she live?

Budapest _____

Where and when did she die?

Budapest, 1957 _____

What sort of education did she have?

Middle school _____

What sort of work did she do?

Housewife _____

What was her level of religiosity?

Neolog _____

What was her mother tongue?

Hungarian _____

Tell me about her brothers and sisters. (name, date of birth and death, occupation, place of residence, family, etc.)

Four brothers and five sisters. _____

Erno: married and lived in Nyiregyhaza. He was educated and worked as something similar as a lawyer. Had two daughters _____

Fanni: the eldest sister, lived in Balkany _____

Gizi: got married to a tailor and immigrated to Paris in 1938 because her husband could not find work in Hungary. Had a daughter Anna who got married in Paris and then moved to Israel and a son named Laci who became a resistance fighter in France during WWII and was executed. _____

Hella: married Moric and their parents opened a grocery store for them in Kallosemjen. Had a son Tibor. The whole family was deported in 1944. _____

Irma: married Sandor Gluck, later they magyarised their surname. Had several children. The family survived the Holocaust in Budapest and when they were old, they went to live with one of their sons in Israel.

Aranka: married Joska who was a farmer near Kallosemjen.

Another three boys, Artur, Lajos and Misi, who lived with their parents and were supposedly farmers but not really do anything. They were all deported with their mother in 1944.

Where was she during the Holocaust?

In a yellow-star house, then in the ghetto

If she survived, what did she do after?

Retired

Maternal grandfather

Your mother's father name?

Jakab Strausz

Where and when was he born?

Nagykallo, 1870s

Where else did he live?

Kallosemjen

Where and when did he die?

Kallosemjen, 1940s

What sort of education did he have?

4 classes of elementary school

What sort of work did he do?

Smallholder producing tobacco and watermelon

What was his level of religiosity?

Neolog

What was his mother tongue?

Hungarian

Army service: Which army and what years?

No information

Tell me about his brothers and sisters. (name, date of birth and death, occupation, place of residence, family, etc.)

No information

Where was he during the Holocaust?

Died before

Maternal grandmother

Your mother's mother's name?

Betti Strausz (Weisz)

Where and when was she born?

No information, 1870s

Where else did she live?

Where and when did she die?

Auschwitz (during deportation), 1944

What sort of education did she have?

6 classes of elementary school

What sort of work did she do?

Housewife

What was her level of religiosity?

Neolog

What was her mother tongue?

Hungarian, but she often spoke Yiddish

Tell me about her brothers and sisters. (name, date of birth and death, occupation, place of residence, family, etc.)

No information

Where was she during the Holocaust?

Deportation, Auschwitz