

Karel Rutar's Work Permit



Tagesdurchlasschein berechtigt Rutar Karl 495/J, B IV vom 16. 3. 1943 zwecks Arbeiten ale Zimmermann beim Bau der Baracken die Stadtgrenze bis 20 Uhr zu überschreiten. Theresienstadt, am 16. 3. 1943. Der Lagerkommandant: i. V. Permission to pass entitles Rutar Karl 495/J, B IV as of 16. 3. 1943 due to his work as a carpenter at the construction of the barracks to cross the city boundary until 8pm. Theresienstadt, 16. 3. 1943. The Camp Commander p.p. This is a permit for my husband, Karel Rutar, which states what sort work he would be doing in Terezin during a certain time period. Karel left Terezin to go work in Wulkov? he was quite handy, and had worked as a carpenter in Terezin. After the war I found out that he?d been the head carpenter, and that some problem had happened there that he didn't cause, but they punished him for being the boss and letting it happen. The SS soldier punished him by making him go outside at night, in the winter, naked, and pouring cold water on him. He then gave him such a slap that it punctured his eardrum, and for the rest of his life Karel was hard of hearing in one ear. From Wulkov he returned to Terezin, where after the war he recuperated, and then brought with him to Prague many materials? correspondence cards, on which you could send a maximum of thirty words to Terezin, maps, and a picture painted for him by the caricaturist Haas, brother of the actor Hugo Haas.