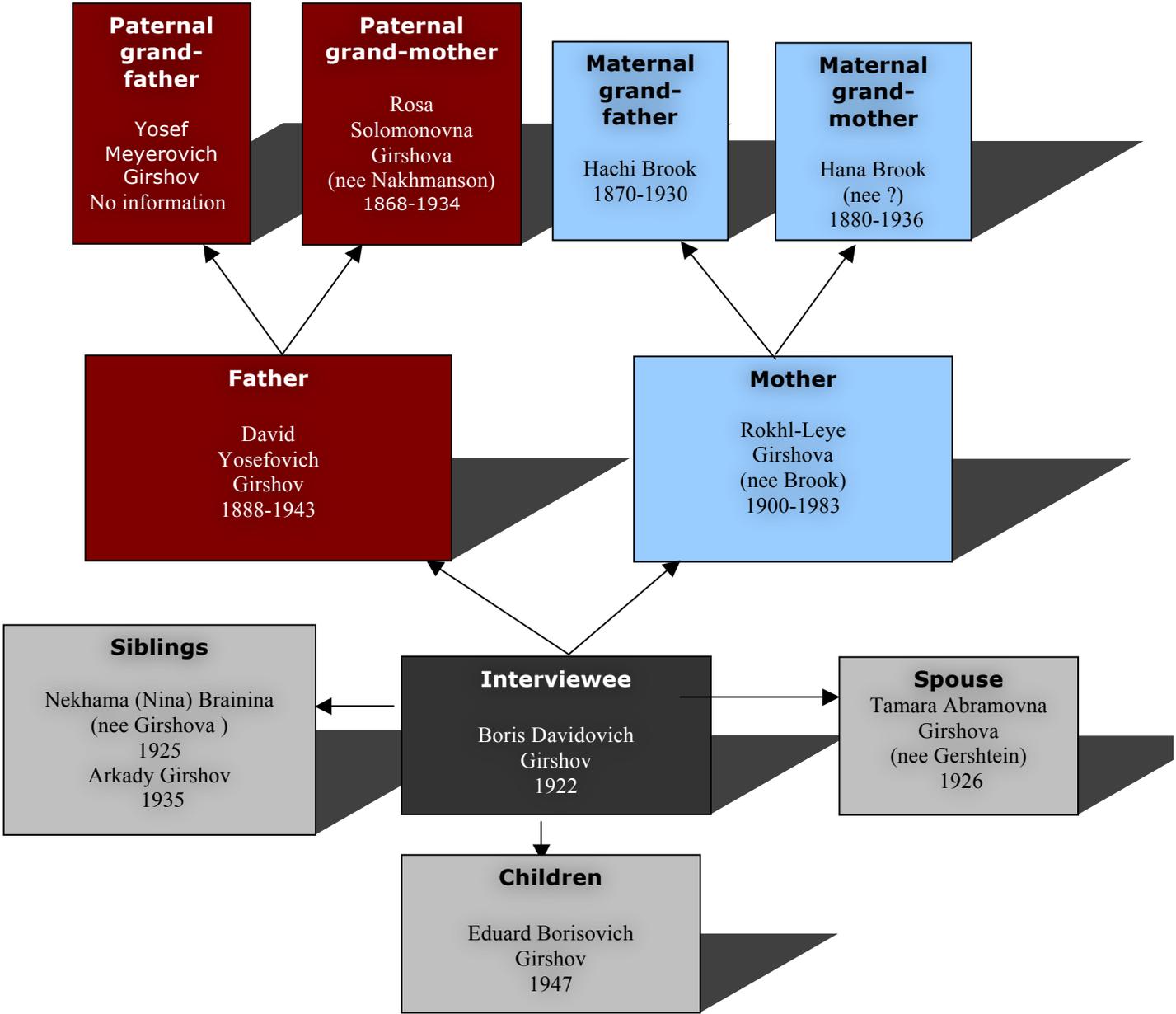


**Family Tree**



## The interviewee and his family

*Full name*

Boris Girshov

*Where and when were you born?*

Usvyaty of Smolensk region, 1922

*Where else did you live?*

Kirov, Kuibyshev, Leningrad (now St. Petersburg)

*Your educational level?*

Leningrad Naval Medical Academy

*What sort of work do/did you do?*

Phthiatrician at T.B. prophylactic center in Kuibyshev

Phthiatrician at T.B. prophylactic center and clinic in Leningrad

*What was the level of religiosity in your parent's home? How were you raised?*

Our family observed traditions, including kashrut. The family members visited synagogue regularly. Parents arranged bar mitzvah for me. They sent me to cheder. Parents always arranged Seder for Pesach. I always said Fir Kasches (words of the elder son). I used to ask my father all traditional ritual questions necessary for Pesach Seder. So we arranged everything in our family, though we were not too prayerful.

*What is your mother tongue?*

Russian

*How many languages do you speak?*

Russian, Yiddish

*Where were you during the Holocaust?*

Leningrad, Kirov, Poti, Sukhumi (Black Sea Navy)

## Siblings

### *Their names*

Nekhama (Nina) Brainina (nee Girshova) (f)  
Arkady Girshov (m)

### *Where and when were they born?*

Nekhama: Usvyaty of Smolensk region, 1925  
Arkady: Usvyaty of Smolensk region, 1935

### *What is their mother tongue?*

Russian

### *Their educational level?*

Nekhama: Kuibyshev Pedagogical College  
Arkady: Leningrad Conservatoire

### *Their occupations?*

Nekhama: a teacher of the German language  
Arkady: a violinist of the Novosibirsk philharmonic orchestra

### *Where do/did they live?*

Nekhama: Ashkelon (Israel)  
Arkady: Novosibirsk

### *Where else did they live?*

Nekhama: Kuibyshev  
Arkady: Kuibyshev, Leningrad

### *Do they have children?*

Nekhama: son Alexander  
Arkady: son Dmitry

## Spouse

*Name?*

Tamara Abramovna Girshova (nee Gershtein)

*Where and when was he/she born?*

Samara (Kuibyshev), 1926

*Where else did he live?*

Leningrad

*Is he/she Jewish?*

Yes

*What is his/her mother tongue?*

Russian

*His/her educational level?*

Leningrad 1<sup>st</sup> Medical College

*Occupation?*

A therapist

## Children

*Their names?*

Eduard Girshov (m)

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

No / Yes

*Where and when were they born?*

Leningrad (now St. Petersburg), 1947

*Where else did they live?*

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*Their educational level?*

Leningrad Shipbuilding College, Leningrad College of Culture

*Their occupations?*

A producer

*How many grandchildren do you have?*

1 grandson Konstantin

## Father

*His name?*

David Girshov

*Where and when was he was born?*

Usvyaty of Smolensk region, 1888

*Where else did he live?*

Kuibyshev

*Where and when did he die?*

Kuibyshev, 1943

*What sort of education did he have?*

Primary school

*What sort of work did he do?*

A worker of the regional consumers union

*What was his level of religiosity?*

He visited synagogue. Father was a real Jew and tried to accustom me to Jewish Tradition. He always observed Tradition at home. Father was one of the synagogue donors (I saw him making a donation to it). He was among those people who supported Jewish community of Usvyaty.

*What was his mother tongue?*

Yiddish, Russian

*Army service: Which army and what years?*

Tsarist army (1914)

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

Raya: Leningrad, died in the besieged Leningrad, husband Treskunov Ilya, son Lev (died in the besieged Leningrad at the age of 13);

Ieronim: 1900-1970, Leningrad, wife Berta Belkina, daughter Lida born in 1927, son Naum;

Zalman: Leningrad, a tailor, died in the besieged Leningrad, wife Anna died in the besieged Leningrad;

Dora: 1903-1979, husband Polyakov Ivan (1904-1942), son Boris.

*Where was he during the Holocaust?*

Kuibyshev

## Paternal grandfather

*Your father's father name?*

Yosef Meyerovich Girshov

*Where and when was he born?*

Usvyaty of Smolensk region, no information

*Where else did he live?*

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*Where and when did he die?*

Usvyaty of Smolensk region, before 1922

*What sort of education did he have?*

No information

*What sort of work did he do?*

No information

*What was his level of religiosity?*

He visited synagogue, observed kashrut, celebrated Jewish holidays

*What was his mother tongue?*

Yiddish, Russian

*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.)*

Nakhman, Solomon, Abram, Riva

*Where was he during the Holocaust?*

Died before

## Paternal grandmother

*Your father's mother's name?*

Rosa Solomonovna Girshova (nee Nakhmanson)

*Where and when was she born?*

Usvyaty of Smolensk region, 1868

*Where else did she live?*

Petersburg (Leningrad)

*Where and when did she die?*

Leningrad, 1934

*What sort of education did she have?*

No information

*What sort of work did she do?*

No information

*What was her level of religiosity?*

In Usvyaty she observed Tradition, regularly visited synagogue. Later in Leningrad she did not visit synagogue.

*What was her mother tongue?*

Russian, 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?*

Died before

## Mother

*Her name?*

Rohl-Leye Girshova (nee Brook)

*Where and when was she born?*

Usvyaty of Smolensk region, 1900

*Where else did she live?*

Kuibyshev

*Where and when did she die?*

Kuibyshev, 1983

*What sort of education did she have?*

Primary school

*What sort of work did she do?*

A worker at the factory producing soft drinks

*What was her level of religiosity?*

In Usvyaty she observed kashrut, visited synagogue on holidays. But later living in Kuibyshev she stopped doing it.

*What was her mother tongue?*

Yiddish, Russian

*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?*

Kuibyshev

## Maternal grandfather

*Your mother's father's name?*

Hachi Brook

*Where and when was he born?*

Usvyaty of Smolensk region, 1870

*Where else did he live?*

No information

*Where and when did he die?*

Usvyaty of Smolensk region, 1930

*What sort of education did he have?*

No information

*What sort of work did he do?*

No information

*What was his level of religiosity?*

He observed traditions, visited synagogue, wore a head-dress

*What was his mother tongue?*

Yiddish, Russian

*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?*

Hana Brook (nee ?)

*Where and when was she born?*

Usvyaty of Smolensk region, 1880

*Where else did she live?*

No information

*Where and when did she die?*

Usvyaty of Smolensk region, 1936

*What sort of education did she have?*

No information

*What sort of work did she do?*

No information

*What was her level of religiosity?*

She was very religious: observed kashrut, visited synagogue, prayed regularly.

*What was her mother tongue?*

Yiddish, Russian

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

Bluma Rosenfeld lived with her family in Samara (Kuibyshev)

*Where was she during the Holocaust?*

Died before