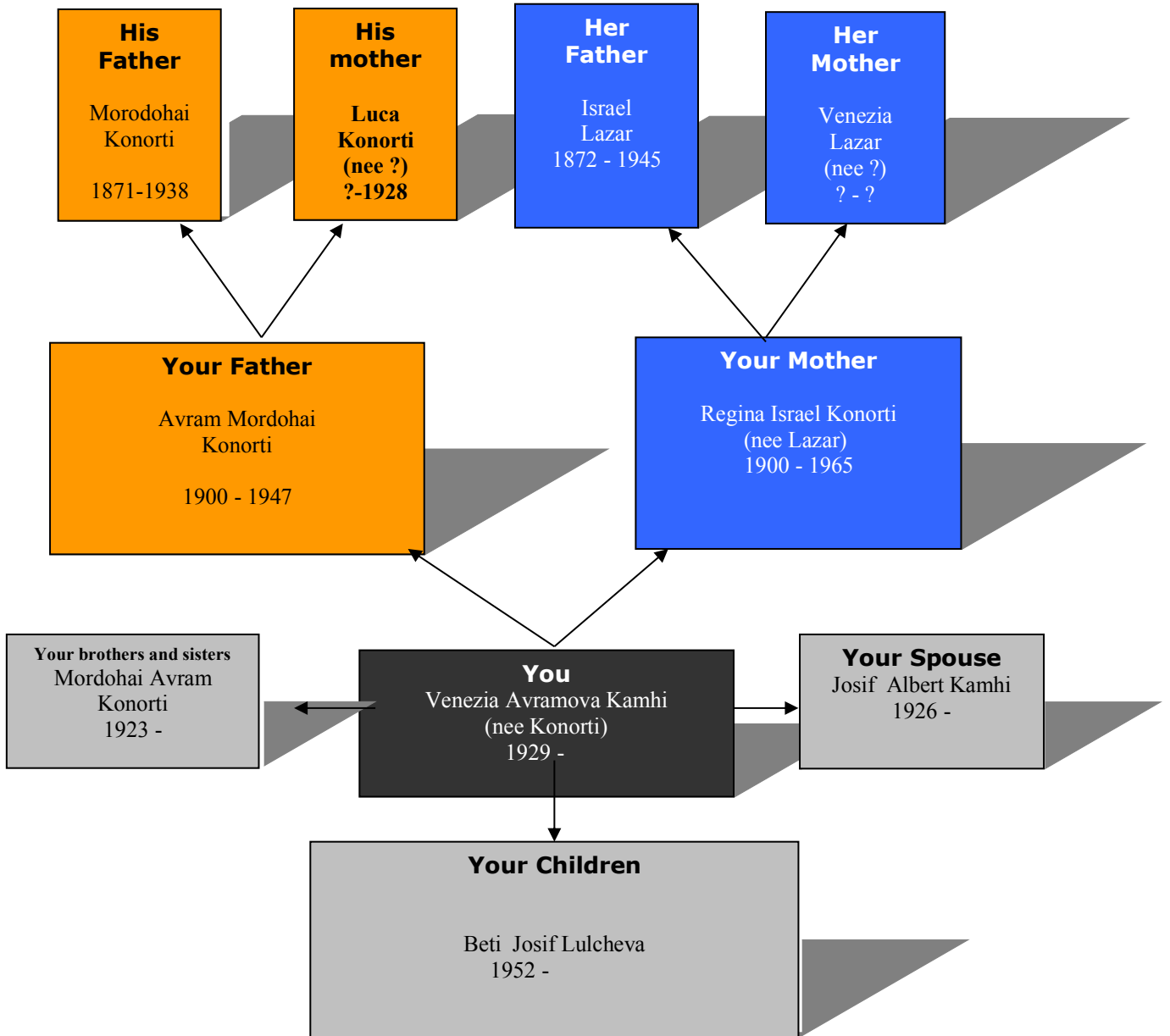


Your family tree



You and your family

Your full name

Venezia Avramova Kamhi (nee Konorti)

Where and when were you born?

Bulgaria, Sofia - 25 July 1929

Where else did you live?

Kiustendil, interned 1943 - 1949

Your educational level?

Secondary evening school – 1947 - 1951

What sort of work do/did you do?

Dressmaker in "Osvobozhdenie" factory 1945 – 1951, Jewish students reading room 1950-1956, Tailor factory "Zoia" 1955-1958, Tailor factory "Vitosha" 1958-1968, State economic factory "Texim" 1968 – 1975, Centre for new goods and fashion "Lada" 1975 – 1980, Modeling factory "Centre for new goods and fashion" 1980 - 1982

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

My parents were religious to a normal extent. My father used to go to the Synagogue on holidays mostly. They observed all the Jewish holidays. My grandfather and father knew very well the rituals for Pessah and Hanukkah and my mother always prepared the festive table. Pessah was my favourite holiday when I was a child

What is your mother tongue?

Bulgarian

How many languages do you speak?

Ladino

Where were you during the Holocaust?

Interned in the town of Kiustendil.

Your brothers and sisters

Their names

Mordohai Avram Konorti

Where and when were they born?

Sofia, 9 June 1923

What is their mother tongue?

Bulgarian

Their educational level?

Graduated crafts school and passed a master exam in 1945

Their occupations?

Brush maker. He had a workshop on "Pozitano" Street in Sofia.

Where do/did they live?

Israel, the town of Bat Yam

Where else did they live?

In Sofia till January 1949. Interned to Kiustendil from 1943 to 1944.

Do they have children?

He has two daughters – Rina and Ravit. They live in Israel.

Your spouse

Name?

Josif Albert Kamhi

Where and when was he/she born?

Sofia, 29 June 1926

Where else did he live?

Kiustendil, interned 1943 - 1944

Is he/she Jewish?

Yes

What is his/her mother tongue?

Bulgarian

His/her educational level?

Graduated from the Mechanical and Electrotechnical Institute

Occupation?

He was an electro engineer: he has worked in designer's bureaus: "Promproekt" – to 1956, in "Minproekt" 1956 - 1962, "Niproruda" 1962 – 1968, "Promzurnproekt" 1968 – 1982.

Where and when did he/she die?

Still alive

Your children

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

Yes, she identifies herself as Jew. My daughter Beti was raised in a Jewish spirit by my aunt Matilda mostly. She helped a lot in Beti's bringing up.

Where and when were they born?

Sofia, 13 July 1952

Where else did they live?

Their names?

Beti Josif Lulcheva

Their educational level?

Graduated in "Industrial thermotechnics" from the Institute Of Mechanics and Electro technical Institute

Their occupations?

Mechanical Engineer and programmer

How many grandchildren do you have?

One granddaughter – Anna Lulcheva. She is a student in microbiology at Sofia University

Your father

His name?

Avram Mordohai Konorti

Where and when was he was born?

Sofia, 1900

Where else did he live?

Kiustendil – interned 1943 - 1944

Where and when did he die?

Sofia, 27 February 1947

What sort of education did he have?

Primary education in Jewish school

What sort of work did he do?

Lithographer and carter

He transported goods from the railway station to shops and fabrics.

What was his level of religiosity?

He went to the synagogue on holidays mostly. He dressed elegantly, he put a hat on, he had a tallith and a special book with prayers in Hebrew. He was kosher.

What was his mother tongue?

Bulgarian

Army service: Which army and what years?

Bulgarian army, 1921. Captive in Italy during WWI.

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

He had a brother and a sister.

Baruh Mordohai Konorti: (1905, Sofia – 1970, Aku). Barber, lived in Dupnitsa; went to Palestine in 1926; came back to Bulgaria and left for Israel again in 1949; lived in Aku with wife and two children.

Buka Konorti: (born 1894) housewife, went to Israel at the end of 40s.

Where was he during the Holocaust?

Interned in Kiustendil

If he survived, what did he do after?

Carter

Your father's family

His father

Your father's father name?

Mordohai Konorti

Where and when was he born?

Sofia, 1871

Where else did he live?

No information

Where and when did he die?

Sofia, 1938

What sort of education did he have?

Primary

What sort of work did he do?

No information

What was his level of religiosity?

He knew and performed all the rituals for the Jewish holidays. He was kosher. He didn't wear traditional clothing.

What was his mother tongue?

Bulgarian

Army service: Which army and what years?

Bulgarian army

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

His mother

Your father's mother's name?

Luca Konorti (nee?)

Where and when was she born?

1860s

Where else did she live?

No information

Where and when did she die?

The beginning of the 1920s, no place known.

What sort of education did she have?

No information

What sort of work did she do?

No information

What was her level of religiosity?

No information

What was her mother tongue?

Bulgarian

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

Your Mother

Her name?

Regina Israel Konorti (nee Lazar)

Where and when was she was born?

Kiustendil, 1900

Where else did she live?

Israel

Where and when did she die?

Israel, 6 March 1965

What sort of education did she have?

None

What sort of work did she do?

Housewife

What was her level of religiosity?

She observed all the Jewish holidays and always prepared lovely festive tables.
She made kosher. She didn't wear a wig.

What was her mother tongue?

Bulgarian

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

A sister and three brothers: Matilda, Buko, Albert and Nisim – the whole family moved to Sofia in the 1920s.

Buko Israel Lazar: (1895, Kiustendil - 1942) had a fruit shop; had a wife and two children – Dorcho and Vizka. Dorcho (born 1924) sailor before WWII, went to Israel in 1948 with his mother and sister; became a trader in Tel Aviv. Vizka (born 1928), has three children and lives in Israel.

Albert Israel Lazar (1903, Kiustendil -) traded with fruit cultures; married around 1940; during the Holocaust in forced labour; made aliya to Israel and continued trading with fruit cultures; has two children – Zhani and Vizka.

Nisim Israel Lazar (1910, Kiustendil – 1972, Yafo) traded with wool clothes: during the Holocaust in forced labour; went to Israel in 1948 and lived in Yafo; married there and has a daughter – Madlen. Matilda Israel Miuhas (1905, Kiustendil - 1985) married uncle Nisim who was an upholsterer in the 20s; housewife all her life.

Where was she during the Holocaust?

Interned in Kiustendil

If she survived, what did she do after?

Housewife

Your Mother's family

Her father

Your mother's father name?

Israel Lazar

Where and when was he born?

Kiustendil, 1872

Where else did he live?

No information

Where and when did he die?

Sofia, 1945

What sort of education did he have?

No information

What sort of work did he do?

Trader

What was his level of religiosity?

He observed the Jewish holidays. He was kosher. He didn't have payot, beard and kaftan.

What was his mother tongue?

Bulgarian

Army service: Which army and what years?

Bulgarian army

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?

No information

Her mother

Your mother's mother's name?

Venezia Lazar (nee ?)

Where and when was she born?

No information

Where else did she live?

No information

Where and when did she die?

Kiustendil. Died before the Holocaust.

What sort of education did she have?

No information

What sort of work did she do?

No information

What was her level of religiosity?

No information

What was her mother tongue?

Bulgarian

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

No information