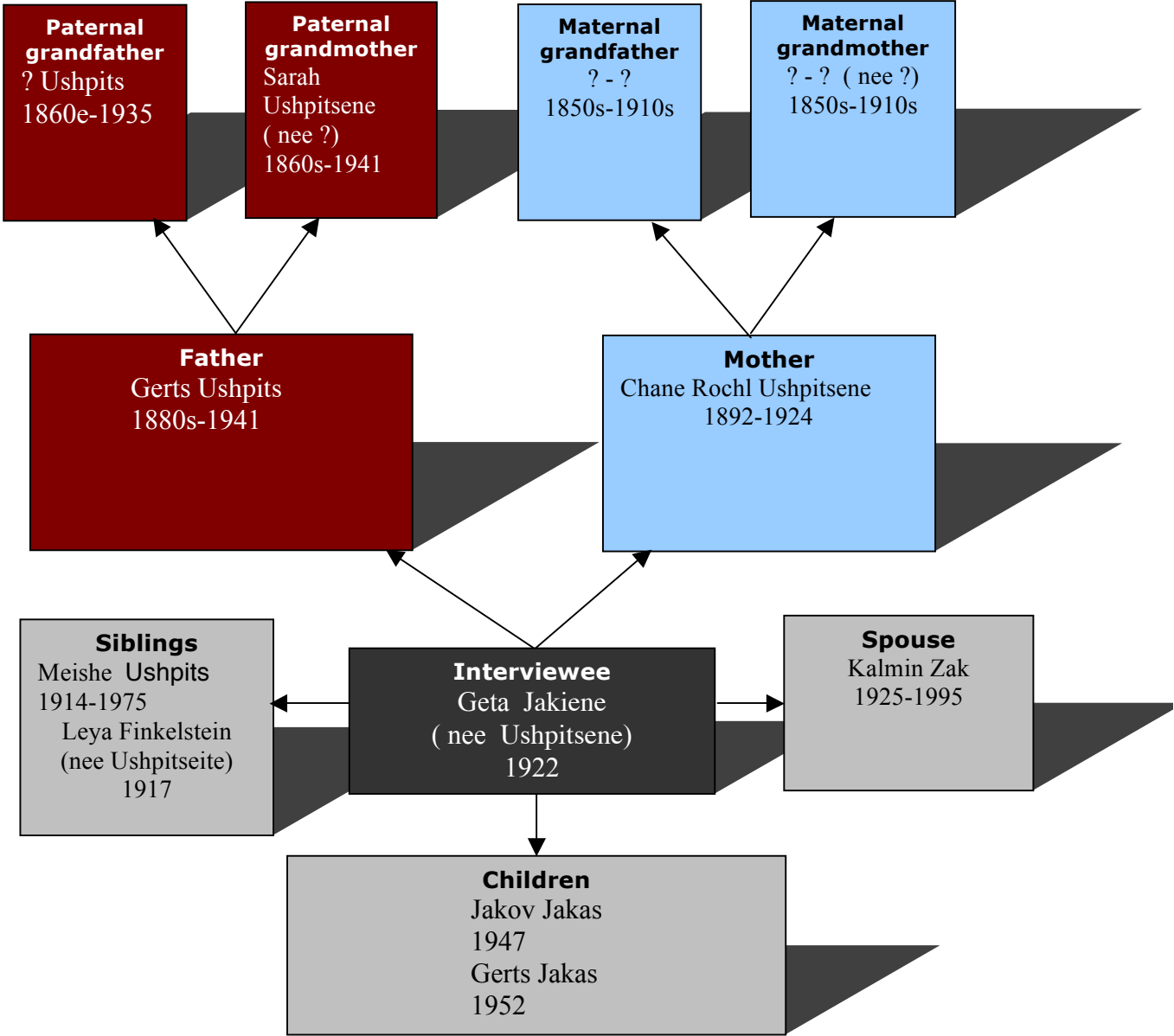


**Family Tree**



## The interviewee and his family

*Full name*

Geta (Jewish name is Entl) Jakiene (nee Ushpitsene)

*Where and when were you born?*

Shakai (Lithuania), October, 18, 1922

*Where else did you live?*

Prenai, Klaipeda, Kaunas (Lithuania), Ulyanovsk (Russia)

*Your educational level?*

4 grades at Lithuanian lyceum

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

Typist, secretary, worker, waitress after war, after got married - housewife

*How religious was your parents' home? How were you raised?*

My parents were rather religious, I do not know the details

*What is your mother tongue?*

Yiddish

*What other languages do you speak?*

Lithuanian, Russian

*Where were you during the Holocaust?*

Evacuation in Ulyanovsk

*What did you do after the Holocaust?*

Lived in Kaunas, got married, bore and raised two sons, was a housewife

## Siblings

*Their names*

Meishe Ushpits

Leya Finkelstein (nee: Ushpitseite)

*Where and when were they born?*

Meishe: Shakai, 1914

Leya: Shakai, 1917

*What is their mother tongue?*

Both Yiddish

*Their educational level?*

Meishe: elementary Jewish school

Leya: lyceum

*Their occupations?*

Meishe: worker

Leya: secretary

*Where do/did they live?*

Meishe: Kaunas

Leya: Vilnius

*Where else did they live?*

Meishe: Klaipeda

Leya: Klaipeda, Kaunas

*Do they have children?*

Meishe: daughter Channa, lives in USA, son Shloime, lives in Kaunas

Leya: son Ari, Vilnius

*Where and when did they die?*

Meishe: Kaunas, 1975

**Spouse**

*Name?*

Kalmin Zak

*Where and when was he/she born?*

Shalkenai (Lithuania), 1925

*Where else did he/she live?*

Kaunas

*Is he/she Jewish?*

yes

*What is his/her mother tongue?*

Yiddish

*His/her educational level?*

Jewish elementary school

*Occupation?*

Worker

*Where and when did he/she die?*

Kaunas, 1995

*Tell me anything you know about his/her siblings (Name, date of birth and death, occupation, place of residence, name of wife and children, whether their family is Jewish and whether it is religious).*

had 10 brothers and 1 sister, all of them were shot during the first days of occupation in 1941

## Children

*Their names?*

Jakov Zak

Gerts Zak

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

Both were raised Jewish, went through brit milah and bar mitzvah, mark Jewish holidays, observe traditions, know Yiddish

*Where and when were they born?*

Both were born in Kaunas

Jakov: 1947

Gerts: 1952

*Where else did they live?*

Jakov: Tel Aviv (Israel)

*Their educational level?*

Jakov: Kaunas Economic Institute, economy department

Gerts: Kaunas sport institute

*Their occupations?*

Jakov: engineer, economist

Gerts: football referee

*How many grandchildren do you have?*

Jakov: Arnold, 1980.

Gerts: Ari, 1987, Dov, 1993

## Father

*His name?*

Gerts Ushpits

*Where and when was he born?*

Prenai (Lithuania), 1880s

*Where else did he live?*

Shakai (Lithuania)

*Where and when did he die?*

Shakai, 1941

*What sort of education did he have?*

Cheder

*What sort of work did he do?*

Owned a store

*How religious was he?*

Father was rather religious, observed traditions, marked Jewish holidays

*What was his mother tongue?*

Yiddish



*Army service: which army and what years?*

Did not serve

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

| name                         | place and date of birth/death | occupation | biographical data and origins of spouse | biographical data of children                        | describe how religious they were                              |
|------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------|---|--|---|
| Channa Kronrot (nee Ushpits) | Prenai, 1880s-1941            | housewife  | Meer Kronrot, Jew, 1880se-1941          | Three children, all died in Prenai during occupation | Rather religious, observed traditions, marked Jewish holidays |
| Sarah ? (nee Ushpits)        | Prenai, 1880s-1941            | housewife  | ?, ?, Jew, 1880s-1941                   | Three children, all died in Prenai during occupation | Rather religious, observed traditions, marked Jewish holidays |
| ? ? (nee Ushpits)            | Prenai, 1890s-Pilviskai, 1941 | housewife  | Yankle ?, Jew, 1890s-1970s              | None   | Rather religious, observed traditions, marked Jewish holidays |
| Avrum Ushpits                | Prenai, 1880s-USA, ?          | ?          | ?, Jew, ?-?                             | Son, do not know the name, was a violinist           | No information  |

*Where was he during the Holocaust?*

Was shot in Shakai during the first days of occupation along with other Jews

## Paternal grandfather

*Your paternal grandfather's name?*

? Ushpits

*Where and when was he born?*

Prenai, 1860s

*Where and when did he die?*

Prenai, 1936

*What sort of education did he have?*

cheder

*What sort of work did he do?*

Owned a churn

*How religious was he?*

Grandfather was rather religious, wore kippah, went to the synagogue on Saturday and on holidays, prayed, observed all traditions and marked Jewish holidays

*What was his mother tongue?*

Yiddish

*Army service: which army and what years?*

Did not serve

*Tell me about his brothers and sisters.*

|      |                                     |            |  |                                     |  |
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| name | place and<br>date of<br>birth/death | occupation | biographical<br>data and<br>origins of<br>spouse | biographical<br>data of<br>children | describe how<br>religious they<br>were |
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No  
information

*Where was he during the Holocaust?*

Died before

## Paternal grandmother

*Your paternal grandmother's name?*

Sarah Ushpits (nee ?)

*Where and when was she born?*

Prenai, 1860s

*Where and when did she die?*

Prenai, 1941

*What sort of education did she have?*

Home Jewish education

*What sort of work did she do?*

housewife

*How religious was she?*

Grandmother was religious, wore a wig, kerchief, observed, went to the synagogue, marked holidays, observed fasting and kashrut

*What was her mother tongue?*

Yiddish

*Tell me about his brothers and sisters.*

| name | place and date of | occupation | biographical data and | biographical data of | describe how religious they |
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birth/death

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spouse

children

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No  
information

*Where was she during the Holocaust?*

Was shot in Prenai in 1941 during the first days of occupation

## Mother

*Her name?*

Channa Rochl Ushpitsene (nee ?)

*Where and when was she born?*

Shakai, 1892

*Where and when did she die?*

Germany, 1924

*What sort of education did she have?*

No information

*What sort of work did she do?*

Housewife

*How religious was she?*

No information

*What was her mother tongue?*

Yiddish

*Tell me about his brothers and sisters.*

| name | place and date of birth/death | occupation | biographical data and origins of spouse | biographical data of children | describe how religious they were |
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No information

*Where was she during the Holocaust?*

Died before

## Maternal grandfather

*Your maternal grandfather's name?*

No information

*Where and when was he born?*

Shakai, 1850s

*Where and when did he die?*

Shakai, 1910s

*What sort of education did he have?*

cheder

*What sort of work did he do?*

No information

*How religious was he?*

No information

*What was his mother tongue?*

Yiddish

*Army service: which army and what years?*

No information

*Tell me about his brothers and sisters.*

| name | place and date of | occupation | biographical data and | biographical data of | describe how religious they |
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information

*Where was he during the Holocaust?*

Died before

## Maternal grandmother

*Your maternal grandmother's name?*

No information

*Where and when was she born?*

?, 1850s

*Where else did she live?*

Shakai,

*Where and when did she die?*

Shakai, 1910s

*What sort of education did she have?*

No information

*What sort of work did she do?*

housewife

*How religious was she?*

No information

*What was her mother tongue?*

Yiddish

*Tell me about his brothers and sisters.*

|      |                                     |            |  |                                     |  |
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No

information

*Where was she during the Holocaust?*

Died before