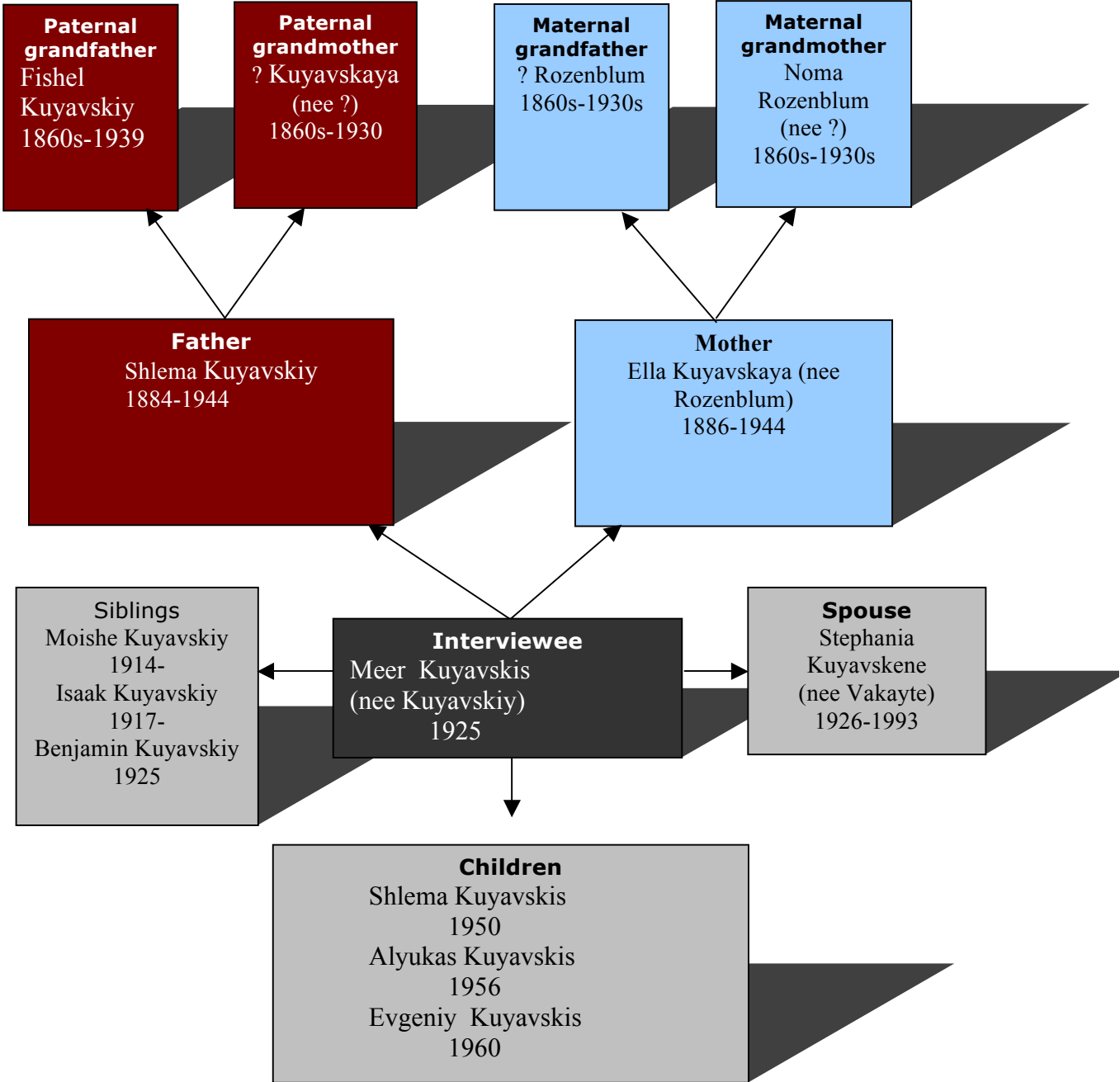


Family Tree



The interviewee and his family

Full name

Meer Kuyavskis (nee Kuyavskiy, changed surname in the 1990s for it gain more typical Lithuanian sounding)

Where and when were you born?

Lodz (Poland), 16 January 1925

Where else did you live?

Kaunas (Lithuania)

Your educational level?

7-year Jewish schools with Polish language of studies

What sort of work do/did you do?

Taylor

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

My parents were religious, they covered their head, observed Jewish traditions, kashrut, Sabbath, , marked Jewish holidays, went to the synagogue

What is your mother tongue?

Yiddish

What other languages do you speak?

Polish, Lithuanian, Russian

If you were in an army, tell us which army and the dates

Did not serve

Where were you during the Holocaust?

Was in Lodz ghetto, then in concentration camp Auschwitz, Dachau (Germany)

What did you do after the Holocaust?

Settled in Kaunas after liberation, still living there

Siblings

Their names

Moishe Kuyavskiy

Isaac Kuyavskiy

Benjamin Kuyavskiy

Where and when were they born?

All born in Lodz

Moishe: 1914

Isaac: 1917

Benjamin: 1925

What is their mother tongue?

Yiddish for all

Their educational level?

All finished Jewish 7-year school

Their occupations?

All became furriers, had their fur production and stores after war

Where do/did they live?

Moishe: Montreal (Canada)

Isaac: Haifa (Israel)

Benjamin: Montreal (Canada)

Where else did they live?

Moishe and Isaac: Siberia (Russia)

Do they have children?

Moishe: daughter Chava

Isaac: daughter and a son

Benjamin: daughter Ella

Where and when did they die?

Isaac: Haifa (Israel), 1998

Spouse

Name?

Stephania Kuyavskene (nee Vakayte)

Where and when was he/she born?

Kaunas, 1926

Is he/she Jewish?

No

What is his/her mother tongue?

Lithuanian

His/her educational level?

Seven-year school

Occupation?

Seamstress

Where and when did he/she die?

Kaunas, 1993

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).

N/a

Children

Their names?

Shlema Kuyavskis

Alyukas Kuyavskis

Evgeniy Kuyavskis

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

All identify themselves as Jews, though they do not observe traditions

Where and when were they born?

All were born in Kaunas

Shlema: 1950

Alyukas: 1956

Evgeniy: 1960

Where else did they live?

Shlema: Haifa (Israel)

Alyukas: Jerusalem (Israel)

Their educational level?

All finished secondary Lithuanian school

Their occupations?

Shlema and Alyukas: workers

Evgeniy: electrician

How many grandchildren do you have?

Shlema: Renata, 1975, Tomas, 1979

Alyukas: Benjamin, 1986

Evgeniy: Bandas, 1986

Father

His name?

Shlema Kuyavskiy

Where and when was he born?

Lodz, 1884

Where and when did he die?

Lodz, 1944

What sort of education did he have?

cheder

What sort of work did he do?

Had quit making workshop

How religious was he?

Father was rather religious, wore a hat, went to the synagogue on Saturday and on holidays , observed traditions and marked 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
Shmuel Kuyavskiy	Lodz, 1882-1941	Owner of the store	? Kuyavskaya, Jew, 1880s-1941	Two children , perished in 1941	Rather religious, observed traditions, marked holidays ,
Chava ? (nee Kuyavskaya)	Lodz, 1880s-1942	housewife	?, Jew, 1880s-1930s	Daughter Edya, lives in Canada	Rather religious, observed traditions, marked holidays ,

No info about the rest

Where was he during the Holocaust?

Was in ghetto in Lodz, perished in 1944

Paternal grandfather

Your paternal grandfather's name?

Fishel Kuyavskiy

Where and when was he born?

Lodz, 1860s

Where and when did he die?

Lodz, 1939

What sort of education did he have?

cheder

What sort of work did he do?

craftsman

How religious was he?

Grandfather was religious, wore kipah, beard, went to the synagogue, observed Sabbath, kashrut, fasting, 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 place and date occupation biographical biographical data describe how

of birth/death

data and origins of children
of spouse

religious they were

No information

Where was he during the Holocaust?

Died before

Paternal grandmother

Your paternal grandmother's name?

? Kuyavskaya (nee ?)

Where and when was she born?

Lodz, 1860s

Where and when did she die?

Lodz, 1930

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, observed traditions, wore wig, marked holidays

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

Mother

Her name?

Ella Kuyavskaya (nee Rozenblum)

Where and when was she born?

Lodz, 1886

Where and when did she die?

Auschwitz, August 1944

What sort of education did she have?

Couple of years at Elementary Jewish school

What sort of work did she do?

Was in charge of quilt-making workshop

How religious was she?

Mother was religious, marked all Jewish holidays, observed Jewish traditions

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
Ruzha? (nee Rozenblum)	Lodz, 1882 – Israel, 1960e	housewife	Moishe ?, Jew, 1880s-?	Meer and Freidl are living in Israel	Rather religious, observed traditions, marked holidays ,

Nohim Rozenblum	Lodz, 1900- Poland, 1944	furrier	Genya Rozenblum, nee ?, Jew, 1990e-1944	Son, 1930-1944	Rather religious, observed traditions, marked holidays ,
Hiller Rozenblum	Lodz, 1900e- 1940e	furrier	?, Jew, 1900s- 1940s	Children perished in ghetto in 1940s	Rather religious, observed traditions, marked holidays ,
Eizek Rozenblum	Lodz, 1900e- 1940e	furrier	?, Jew, 1900s- 1940s	Yurek, 1920s- 1945 Telya , 1920s- 1945	Rather religious, observed traditions, marked holidays ,

Where was she during the Holocaust?

Was in Lodz ghetto, in 1944 was taken in Auschwitz and perished in crematorium in 1944

Maternal grandfather

Your maternal grandfather's name?

? Rozenblum

Where and when was he born?

Lodz, 1860s

Where and when did he die?

Lodz, 1930s

What sort of education did he have?

cheder

What sort of work did he do?

Had cotton-wool making factory

How religious was he?

Grandfather was very religious, prayed daily. He was a fur hat, kippah. He had large beard.

He read and interpreted torah

What was his mother tongue?

Yiddish

Army service: which army and what years?

Did not serve

Tell me about his brothers and sisters.

name	place and date of birth/death	occupation	biographical data and origins	biographical data of children	describe how religious they were
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of spouse

No information

Where was he during the Holocaust?

Died before

Maternal grandmother

Your maternal grandmother's name?

Noma Rosenblum (nee ?)

Where and when was she born?

Lodz, 1860s

Where and when did she die?

Lodz, 1930s

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 wig, observed traditions and marked holidays

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	biographical data of children	describe how religious they were
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of spouse

No information

Where was she during the Holocaust?

Died before