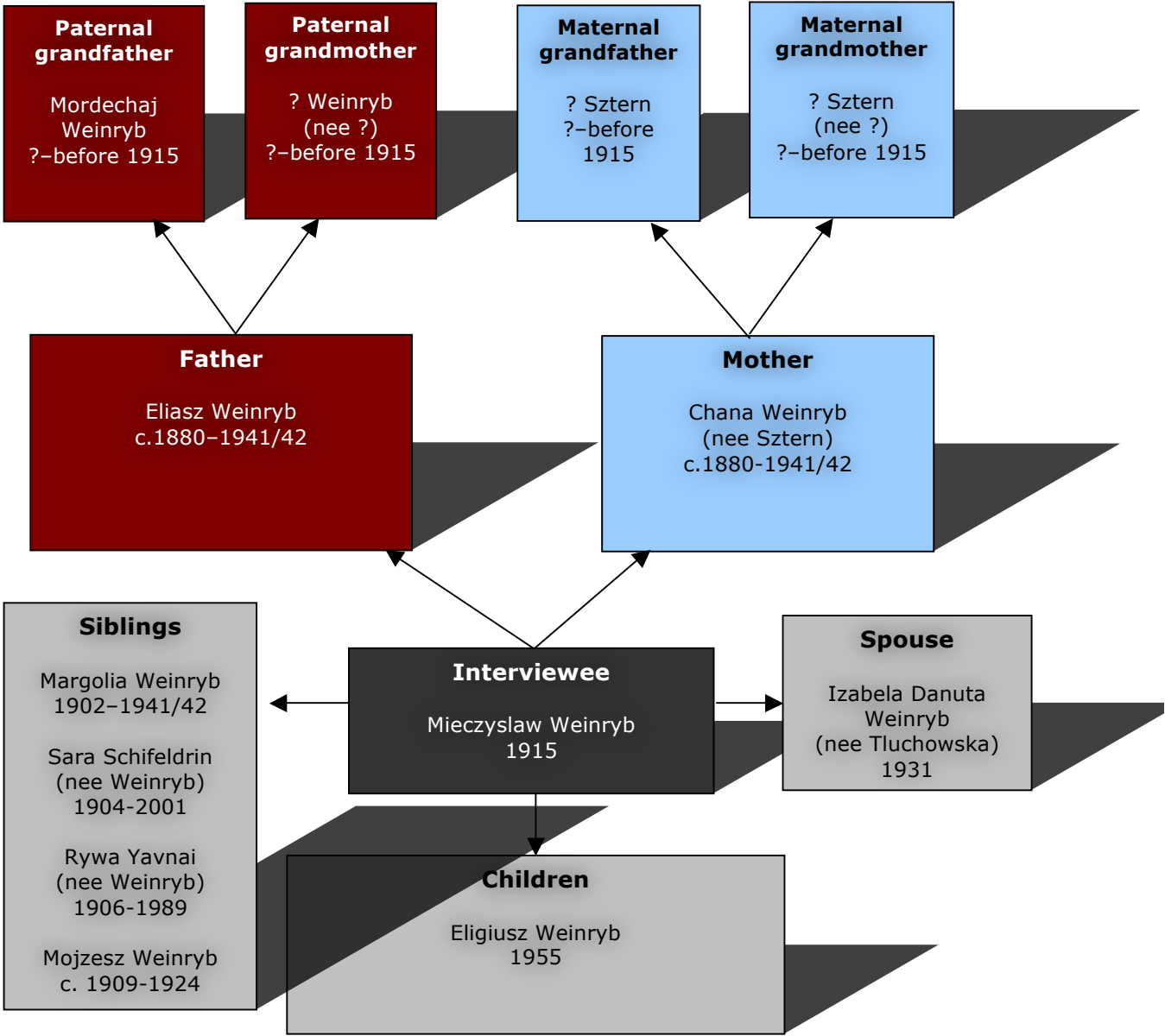


Family Tree



The interviewee and his family

Full name

Mieczyslaw Weinryb (changed from Mordechaj after 1945, because of assimilation)

Where and when were you born?

Zamosc, 8th February 1915

Where else did you live?

Warsaw, Lublin

Your educational level?

Graduated in engineering from Warsaw Polytechnic (in 1955)

What sort of work do/did you do?

Before WWII: 1938-1939 engineer in construction firms of Halber and of Krajterkraft as a designer of tenement houses.

After WWII: From 1947 engineer in the Central Jewish Committee as a construction technician. From the beginning of the 1950s a member of Budometal co-operative.

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

I was raised in a religious home. My parents were Reformists, as opposed to religious orthodoxy. We observed all Jewish holidays at home. My father regularly prayed at a shtibl for Reformists like himself. My mother went to the synagogue on more important holidays and sometimes on Fridays.

What is your mother tongue?

Yiddish

What other languages do you speak?

Polish, Hebrew, German, Russian

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

Polish Army, the 23rd infantry regiment, Włodzimierz Wołyński then Pogorsk near Baranowicze (today Belarus), 1937-38

Where were you during the Holocaust?

Unoccupied territory in the USSR: Western Ukraine (1939-1941), Vladikavkaz (today Russia) (1941-1943), Bashkiria (today Russia) (1943-45)

What did you do after the Holocaust?

Worked as an engineer, was active in Jewish organizations (Social and Cultural Society of Jews, Jewish Community, Seniors' Club)

Siblings

Their names

Margolia Weinryb
Sara Schifeldrin (nee Weinryb)
Rywa Yavnai (nee Weinryb)
Mojzesz Weinryb

Where and when were they born?

All were born in Zamosc
Margolia: 1902
Sara: 1904
Rywa: 1906
Mojzesz: 1909

What is their mother tongue?

Yiddish

Their educational level?

Margolia: graduated from the Free University of Poland (Faculty of Natural Sciences and Mathematics)
Sara: studied pedagogy in Zamosc
Rywa: completed six grades of the grammar school in Zamosc

Their occupations?

Margolia: schoolteacher (Tarbut School)
Sara: taking care of children – in Poland in three orphanages, then in Israel
Rywa: agricultural worker (worked in kibbutz and later bred cows privately with her husband)

Where do/did they live?

Margolia: Warsaw
Rywa and Sara: Israel

Where else did they live?

Sara: Kobryn (today Belarus), near Bydgoszcz, near Lodz

Do they have children?

Yes. (names unknown)

Where and when did they die?

Margolia: Kovel (today Ukraine), 1941/42

Sara: Kibbutz Kvuzat Shiller (today Israel), 2001

Rywa: Kfar Vitkin (today Israel), 1989

Mojzesz: Zamosc, 1924

Spouse

Name?

Izabela Danuta Weinryb (nee Tluchowska)

Where and when was he/she born?

Warsaw, 1931

Where else did he/she live?

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Is he/she Jewish?

No

What is his/her mother tongue?

Polish

His/her educational level?

Catholic high school in Warsaw

Occupation?

Bookkeeper

Children

Their names?

Eligiusz Weinryb

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

He was not raised in a religious home. He is an agnostic, but in the USA he goes to Jewish meetings. He is interested in the Jewish history and tradition.

Where and when were they born?

Warsaw, 1955

Where else did they live?

Aachen (today Germany), Minneapolis, New Haven (Yale) (both USA)

Their educational level?

Doctorate and an assistant professorship at Warsaw University (with a distinction in physics)

Their occupations?

Works at various universities as a researcher. (at present at Yale University)

How many grandchildren do you have?

None

Father

His name?

Eliasz Weinryb

Where and when was he born?

Zamosc, c.1880

Where else did he live?

Kovel (today Ukraine)

Where and when did he die?

Kovel, c.1941/42

What sort of education did he have?

No information

What sort of work did he do?

Owner of fancy goods store (in Zamosc)

How religious was he?

My father prayed at a shtibl for Reformists like himself. He didn't wear sidelocks or a yarmulka. He observed Sabbath and other Jewish holidays.

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 birth/death	occupation	biographical data and origins of spouse	biographical data of children	describe how religious they were
Szalom Weinryb	No information	He was an owner of the mill in Grabowiec.	No information	Ita Weinryb (c.1900-) Chaim Mojzesz Weinryb	No information
Lea Rejder (nee Weinryb)	No information	Housewife	? Rejder ?-? administrator in a mill	No information	No information

Where was he during the Holocaust?

Kovel and Kovel ghetto (today Ukraine), after 1941

Paternal grandfather

Your paternal grandfather's name?

Mordechaj Weinryb

Where and when was he born?

No information

Where else did he live?

No information

Where and when did he die?

Zamosc (presumably), before 1915

What sort of education did he have?

No information

What sort of work did he do?

No information

How religious was he?

He was Orthodox

What was his mother tongue?

Yiddish (presumably)

Army service: which army and what years?

No information

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 he during the Holocaust?

Died before

Paternal grandmother

Your paternal grandmother's name?

? Weinryb (nee ?)

Where and when was she born?

No information

Where else did she live?

No information

Where and when did she die?

Zamosc (presumably), before 1915

What sort of education did she have?

No information

What sort of work did she do?

No information

How religious was she?

She was Orthodox

What was her mother tongue?

Yiddish (presumably)

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?

Chana Weinryb (nee Sztern)

Where and when was she born?

Lublin, c. 1880

Where else did she live?

Zamosc, Kovel (today Ukraine)

Where and when did she die?

Kovel, c. 1941/42

What sort of education did she have?

No information

What sort of work did she do?

Housewife (also helped husband in their shop)

How religious was she?

She was Reformist. Around the time that I came of age my mother stopped wearing a wig, but she did light the candles on Fridays. At the more important holidays and sometimes on Fridays she would go to the synagogue.

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
? Sztern (m)	Lublin	No information	No information	Awigdor Sztern no information Two daughters no information	No information

Where was she during the Holocaust?

Kovel and Kovel Ghetto (today Ukraine), after 1941

Maternal grandfather

Your maternal grandfather's name?

? Sztern

Where and when was he born?

No information

Where else did he live?

No information

Where and when did he die?

Lublin (presumably), before 1915

What sort of education did he have?

No information

What sort of work did he do?

No information

How religious was he?

He was Orthodox

What was his mother tongue?

Yiddish (presumably)

Army service: which army and what years?

No information

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 he during the Holocaust?

Died before

Maternal grandmother

Your maternal grandmother's name?

? Sztern (nee ?)

Where and when was she born?

No information

Where else did she live?

No information

Where and when did she die?

Lublin (presumably), before 1915

What sort of education did she have?

No information

What sort of work did she do?

No information

How religious was she?

She was Orthodox

What was her mother tongue?

Yiddish (presumably)

Tell me about his brothers and sisters.

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Died before