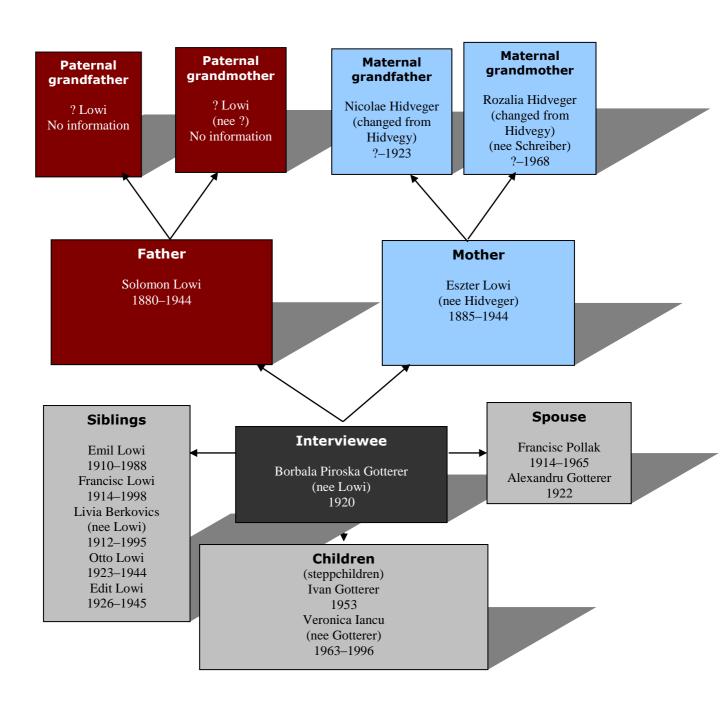
### **Family Tree**



### The interviewee and his family

Full name

Borbala Piroska Gotterer (nee Lowi)

Where and when were you born? Covasna, 1920

Where else did you live? Reghin, Sfantu Gheorghe, Brasov

Your educational level?
Graduated from Postgraduate Economy School, Cluj Napoca

What sort of work do/did you do?

Before WWII.: secretary and typist

After WWII.: secretary at the Jewish Community of Sfantu Gheorghe, accountant, inspector, bank manager and assistant bank manager

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

I had some religion classes in primary school. At home, we observed Sabbath quite strictly, we didn't work on Saturdays, and we tried to observe kashrut. My father was a perfect reader from the Siddur.

What is your mother tongue? Hungarian

What other languages do you speak? Romanian, German Where were you during the Holocaust?

Ghetto: Sfantu Gheorghe for 1 week, May 1944

Ghetto: Reghin for 4 weeks

Koncentration camp: Auschwitz (Poland) for aprox. 1 month

Koncentration camp: Krakow (Poland) for 3 months

Koncentration camp: Auschwitz (Poland) until 27 January 1945

After deportation in Cernauti (Ukraine) for 2 months, April and May 1945,

Berdicev (Ukraine), Slucak (Belarus)

What did you do after the Holocaust?

I worked as a secretary at the Jewish Community of Sfantu Gheorghe, and at the Union of Democratic Women in Romania, then at the Investment Bank in Sfantu Gheorghe

### **Siblings**

Their names

Emil Lowi

Livia Berkovics (nee Lowi)

Francisc Lowi

Otto Lowi

Edit Lowi

Where and when were they born?

Emil: Karczag (Hungary), 1910

Livia: Cluj Napoca, 1912 Francisc: Covasna, 1914

Otto: Covasna, 1923 Edit:Covasna, 1926

What is their mother tongue?

Hungarian

Their educational level?

Emil: high school Livia: high school

Francisc: high school

Otto: high school
Edit: high school

Their occupations?

Emil: volunteer for a mission in Liberia, and then worked in the commerce

Livia: housewife

Francisc: warehouse administrator

Otto: N/A Edit: N/A

Where do/did they live?

Emil: Liberia

Livia: Sfantu Gheorghe

Francisc: Sfantu Gheorghe

Otto: Covasna

Edit: Covasna

Where else did they live?

Emil: Karczag, Cluj Napoca, Covasna

Livia: Cluj Napoca, Covasna, Targu Secuiesc

Francisc: -

Otto: Sfantu Gheorghe

Edit: Covasna, Targu Secuiesc

Do they have children?

Emil: Samuel (m), Elisabeta (f), Otto (m)

Francisc: Edit (f), lives in the USA

Where and when did they die?

Emil: Liberia, place unknown, 1988

Livia: Sfantu Gheorghe (Romania), 1995

Francisc: Sfantu Gheorghe (Romania), 1998

Otto: Auschwitz (Poland), 1944 Edit: Auschwitz (Poland), 1944

### **Spouse**

Name?

Pollak Francisc

Alexandru Gotterer

Where and when was he/she born?

Francisc: Novi Sad, 1914 Alexandru: Hontisor, 1922

Where else did he/she live? Francisc: Sfantu Ghorghe

Alexandru: Mihaileni (Botosani county), Brad, Arad, Brasov

Is he/she Jewish?

Yes

What is his/her mother tongue?

Francisc: Hungarian Alexandru: Hungarian

His/her educational level?

Francisc: wood industry high school Alexandru: Arts and Crafts high school

Occupation?

Francisc: forestry worker

Alexandru: metallurgy technician

Where and when did he/she die?

Francisc: 1965

Alexandru: still alive

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).

Francisc: **Elemer Pollak** 

Alexandru: **Dezideriu Gotterer** (Gurahont, 1909 – Brasov, 1980) (m), factory worker, Christian wife Gizella, she is still alive.

**Eugen Gotterer** (Gurahont, 1912 – Bucharest, 1950) (m), plumber, lived in Bucharest, Christian wife Maria, had children. Both of the brothers observed the traditions, but not very strictly.

#### Children

(Stepchildren)

Their names?

(From Alexandru's previous marriage)

Ivan Gotterer

Veronica Iancu (nee Gotterer)

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

Yes

Where and when were they born?

Ivan: Brasov, 1953

Veronica: Brasov, 1963

Where else did they live?

Ivan: Targu Mures, Rehovot (Israel)

Veronica: -

Their educational level?

Ivan: graduated from the University of Medicine, Targu Mures

Veronica: graduated from the Medical high school, Brasov

Their occupations?

Ivan: surgeon at the Hadasa Hospital, in Tel Aviv, Israel

Veronica: medical orderly, Brasov

How many grandchildren do you have?

Ivan: Iris (f) born in 1976, works as a dentist surgeon, Karen (f) born in 1986,

psychologist

Veronica: Ladislau Iancu (m)

### **Father**

His name? Solomon Lowi Where and when was he born? Tiszadob (Hungary), 1880 Where else did he live? Vienna (Austria), Chinteni, Covasna Where and when did he die? Auschwitz (Poland), 1944 What sort of education did he have? Graduated from the Commercial School in Vienna What sort of work did he do? Wood engineer How religious was he? He went to cheder in Debrecen, he observed all holidays, and he had a tallit and tefillin, which he used during holidays. What was his mother tongue?

Hungarian

Army service: which army and what years?

Austro-Hungarian Army, 1914-1918

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

Name	place and date of	occupation	biographical data	biographical data	describe how religious
	birth/death		and origins of	of children	they were
			spouse		
Ignac Lowi (m)	Tiszadob	Wheat dealer	Jewish wife Ella	Agneta (f), born in	He was very religious.
	(Hungary) ? - ?,		Lowi (nee ?),	1923, Edit (f)	He was regularly
	1984		died in 1981,	1920-2000, Tibor	going to the Big
			housewife	Lowi (m)	Temple in Budapest,
					where he was
					specially invited.
Armin Lowi (m)	Tiszadob, 1870 -	Timber dealer	Had wife	Rozalia (f): ?-1986	He was religious, and
	?, 1918			Maria (f): lived and	he attended all the
				died in Debrecen.	activities held in the
				Julia (f): died in a	synagogue.
				concentration	
				camp.	
				Iosif (m): ran	
				away to Spain,	
				then to USA; has	
				children, one son	
				Gyuri	
Charlotte	No information	Housewife	Jewish husband	Geza (m), Jewish	No information
Markbreit (nee			Sandor Markbreit	wife Maria.	
Lowi)					

Where was he during the Holocaust?

Concentration camp: Auschwitz (Poland), 1944, was killed there

# Paternal grandfather

Your paternal grandfather's name? ? Lowi	
Where and when was he born? Place unknown in Hungary, date unknown	
Where else did he live? Tiszadob, Debrecen	
Where and when did he die? No information	
What sort of education did he have?  No information	
What sort of work did he do? Shop owner and inn keeper	
How religious was he? No information	
What was his mother tongue? Hungarian	

Army service: which army and what years?

No information

Tell me about his brothers and sisters.

name place and date of occupation

birth/death and origins of of children

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biographical data biographical data describe how religious

spouse

No information

Where was he during the Holocaust?

Died before

## Paternal grandmother

Her name? ? Lowi (nee ?)
Where and when was she born? No information
Where else did she live? Tiszadob, Debrecen
Where and when did she die? No information
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?  No information

Tell me about her brothers and sisters.

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

No information

Where was she during the Holocaust?
Died before

#### Mother

Her name?
Eszter Lowi (nee Hidveger)

Where and when was she born? Tiszalok (Hungary), 1885

Where else did she live?

Debrecen, Chinteni, Covasna

Where and when did she die?
Auschwitz (today Poland), 1944

What sort of education did she have? High school for girls in Debrecen

What sort of work did she do? Housewife

How religious was she?

She was religious, and she firmly observed all the holidays. She bought kosher food from Brasov very often, and she observed Sabbath. She used to talk to her children about religion, and tried to explain them the meaning of the prayers. She didn't wear a wig or a kerchief.

What was her mother tongue? Hungarian

### 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
Ludovic Hidveger (m)	Debrecen, ? – Miskolc, 1940, lived in Miskolc (Hungary)	Engineer	Stefania,: ?- 1962, housewife	Eva (f): 1921, lives in Budapest. Stefan (m): 1919- 1944, forced labor in the Hungarian army, died near Don	Religious, observed all the holidays.
Gizella Meizels (nee Hidveger) (f)	No information	Housewife	Ludovic Meizels, trader	Clara Boki (nee Meizels) (f): married to a Hungarian officer, Miklos Boki, .they died in 1944, Clara died in Budapest, Miklos was executed by the Russian army Lili Meizels (f): journalist	Religious.
Charlotte Poncz (nee Lowi) (f)	1891-1968, Budapest	Owner of a candy shop on Rakoczi street	Francisc Poncz	None	Religious
Margareta Solomon (nee Hidveger) (f)	No information	Housewife	Alexandru Solomon, administrator of an estate	Ladislau (m): 1910-1993, colonel in the Hungarian army, has two sons, one is Alexandru Mihai (m): 1912- 1942, soldier in the Hungarian army Paul (m): 1924- 1988, clerk at the Ministry of Agriculture in Budapest, wife Clara, daughters Agi and Baba Baba (f):1921- 1944, teacher in Nyiregyhaza, gassed with her one year old child	Religious

Juliana Laszlo (nee Hidveger)	No information	Housewife	Sigismund Laszlo, General Manager of the Harvesting Vehicles Division of M.A.V. (Magyar Allami Vasutak – Hungarian National Railways)	Ioan: died in Germany. Tamas: lives in Haifa, has two daughters, Vera and Gabriela	Not religious
Ioan Hidveger	1894 – 1914, Doberdo, Italy	Soldier	Single	None	Not religious
Anton Hidveger	No information	Officer in the Austro- Hungarian Army	Had wife	Had children	Not religious

Where was she during the Holocaust?

Ghetto: Sfantu Gheorghe, Reghin

Concentration camp: Auschwitz, was killed there

# Maternal grandfather

Your maternal grandfather's name?
Miklos Hidveger (changed from Hidvegy in the 1970/80s because of assimilation)
Where and when was he born?  Hidveg (today Romania) , date unknown
Where else did he live?  Debrecen (Hungary), Covasna, Budapest (Hungary)
Where and when did he die?
Budapest (Hungary), 1923
What sort of education did he have? Cheder
What sort of work did he do? Administrator of an estate
How religious was he? He observed all holidays.
What was his mother tongue? Hungarian

Army service: which army and what years?

In the Austro-Hungarian army

Tell me about his brothers and sisters.

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

spouse

No information

Where was he during the Holocaust? Died before

## Maternal grandmother

Your maternal grandmother's name? Rozalia Hidveger (changed from Hidvegy in the 1970/80s because of assimilation) (nee Schreiber)
Where and when was she born? Sighetul Marmatiei, date unknown
Where else did she live? Timisoara, Budapest (Hungary), Covasna, Debrecen (Hungary)
Where and when did she die? Budapest (Hungary), 1968
What sort of education did she have?  Convent school
What sort of work did she do? Housewife
How religious was she? She observed the high holidays, Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur, and the food she cooked was kosher. She didn't wear a wig or a kerchief.
What was her mother tongue? Hungarian

### Tell me about his brothers and sisters.

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

No information

Where was she during the Holocaust?

In the ghetto in Budapest and Timisoara

If she survived what did she do after? She was housewife