Family Tree



The interviewee and his family

Full name Berta Grunstein (nee Jager) (Jewish name: Bajle)

Where and when were you born? Szeretfalva, 1927 (Romania)

Where else did you live? Marosvasarhely

Your educational level? I finished primary school.

What sort of work do/did you do? Housewife

How religious was your parents' home? How were you raised? We were a religious family, we kept a kosher household.

What is your mother tongue? Yiddish

What other languages do you speak? Romanian, Hungarian Where were you during the Holocaust? Ghetto: Beszterce Concentration camp: Auschwitz, Glowen

What did you do after the Holocaust? I got married, I was a housewife.

Siblings

Their names David Jager Mirjam Jager Fajge Jager Salamon Jager

Where and when were they born? David: Szeretfalva, 1925 (Romania) Mirjam: Szeretfalva, 1930 (Romania) Fajge: Szeretfalva, 1933 (Romania) Salamon: Szeretfalva, 1938 (Romania)

What is their mother tongue? All of them: Yiddish

Their educational level? David: no information on public schools he might have attended; he attended the cheder Mirjam: five years of primary school Fajge: she died at the age of ten (because of a disease) Salamon: he died at the age of six

Their occupations? David: no information Mirjam: no information Fajge: – Salamon: –

Where do/did they live? All of them: Szeretfalva Where and when did they die? **David**: place unknown, 1944 or 1945 (he died in a concentration camp) **Mirjam**: Auschwitz, 1944 (Poland) **Fajge**: Szeretfalva (Beszterce-Naszod county), 1943 **Salamon**: Auschwitz, 1944 (Poland)

Spouse

Name?

Jozsef Grunstein (marriage: 1946)

(**Father**: Mendel Grunstein, he was a retailer in Bethlen, then in Kozepfalva, which are in Szolnok-Doboka county; **mother**: Berta Blatt /sister of the interviewee's maternal grandmother/, thus Jozsef Grunstein was the cousin of the interviewee's mother. They were a religious family.)

First wife: Helen Grun, she was born in Beszterce, she grew up in Kolozsvar at a relative, she worked in Marosvasarhely as a clerk. They got married in 1935 or 1936. Their son called Erno was born in 1941. Erno and his mother were deported to Auschwitz, both of them perished there.

Jozsef Grunstein did work service in Nagybanya, Borsa and in the surroundings of Maramarossziget.

Where and when was he/she born? Kozepfalva (Szolnok-Doboka county)

Where else did he/she live? Des, Gyulafehervar, Marosvasarhely (from the beginning of the 1930s)

Is he/she Jewish? Yes

What is his/her mother tongue? Yiddish

His/her educational level? Trade school (leather industry)

Occupation? Before the war: technician in leather processing After the war: director of a small leather enterprise Where and when did he/she die? Marosvasarhely, 2002

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).

Marton Grunstein (m) and **Mihaly Grunstein** (m) – they were children of Berta Grunstein, the maternal grandmother nee Blatt. For more information see there.

Children

Their names? None

His name?

Joszif Jager

(After the death of his first wife, in around 1946 he got married for the second time. His second wife was **Lujza** /Lae/, she was born in the 1900s, maybe in Torda; she was a widow, no information on her first husband; her second husband: ? Adler, he died at a young age from a disease; at the time of her third marriage she had two adult daughters and a son – excepting one of the girls they all left for Israel, the husband and children of her daughter who stayed in Romania and who later died, made aliyah as well. During the holocaust Lujza lived in Torda; later she lived in Szeretfalva, in Holon, Israel, then in Beszterce. After the death of Joszif Jager she moved to her daughter, she left for Israel with her daughter's family, and she died there in the 1980s. She finished primary school, her profession was shoemaker, but in her third marriage she was a housewife. She was religious, she kept a kosher household, she wore a wig, she observed holidays, and she attended the synagogue.)

Where and when was he born? Szeretfalva (Beszterce-Naszod county), 1901

Where else did he live? Near Holon (Israel) (1948-1951); Beszterce (from 1952)

Where and when did he die? Beszterce, 1978

What sort of education did he have? He finished primary school. What sort of work did he do? He was a corn trader.

How religious was he?

He was a gabbai at the Jewish community. He observed kashrut. He prayed each day with tales and tallit, on high days he went to the synagogue.

What was his mother tongue? Yiddish

Army service: which army and what years?

At the age of 14 he became the breadwinner of the family, therefore he wasn't enrolled into the army.

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		
Mojse Jager	Szeretfalva	Butcher	His first wife died	First marriage: five	Religious
	(Beszterce-		in Auschwitz.	daughters, they all	
	Naszod county),		His second wife:	perished in	
	1903, ? - 1960s		Helen, she was	Auschwitz;	
	(Israel)		born in	Second marriage:	
	They lived in		Szaszregen	a son	
	Szeretfalva, they		(Maros-Torda		
	emigrated in		county), died in		
	1957		1970 in Israel.		
? Jager	Szeretfalva	No	He had a wife, no	None	No information
	(Beszterce-	information	information		
	Naszod county),		concerning her		
	1903 -				
	Szeretfalva				
	(Beszterce-				
	Naszod county),				
	beginning of the				
					10

	1940				
Smil Jager	Szeretfalva	No	Malka, she died	David Jager, he	No information
	(Beszterce-	information	in Israel in the	died in Israel	
	Naszod county),		1960s.	? Jager, a son	
	1900s - ?, 1970s				
	(Israel)				
	They lived in				
	Szaszregen,				
	emigrated in				
	1957.				

Where was he during the Holocaust? Work service: somewhere "across Budapest" Ghetto: Beszterce Concentration camp: Auschwitz (Poland), Dachau (Germany)

If he survived, what did he do after? He was a corn-trader.

Paternal grandfather

Your paternal grandfather's name? David Jager

Where and when was he born? Place unknown (Maramaros county), 1870s or 1880s

Where else did he live? Szeretfalva

Where and when did he die? Szeretfalva (Beszterce-Naszod county), 1915

What sort of education did he have? No information

What sort of work did he do? Corn trader

How religious was he? He was religious, he observed high days.

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 birth/death

biographical data biographical data

of children

describe how religious they were

spouse

and origins of

No information

Where was he during the Holocaust? He died before.

Paternal grandmother

Your paternal grandmother's name? Leni Jager (nee Lazar) (Jewish name: Lae)

Where and when was she born? Place unknown (maybe Hargita county), year unknown

Where else did she live? Szeretfalva

Where and when did she die? Szeretfalva (Beszterce-Naszod county), 1942 or 1943

What sort of education did she have? She finished primary school.

What sort of work did she do? She was a housewife, she helped her husband in corn trading.

How religious was she? She was religious, she observed high days.

What was her mother tongue? Yiddish

Name	place and date of	occupation	biographical data	biographical data	describe how religious		
	birth/death		and origins of	of children	they were		
			spouse				
Eszter Rosenfeld	?,?-?,?	Housewife	Markus	None	Religious		
(nee Lazar)	They lived in		Rosenfeld, he				
	Szeretfalva.		was a shochet				
			and a melamed				
			in Szeretfalva				
Mirjam ? (nee	?,?-?,?	Housewife	Chandler	A daughter	Religious		
Lazar)	They lived in						
	Szeretfalva.						

Tell me about her brothers and sisters.

Presumably she

had a brother as

well, no

information

concerning him

Where was she during the Holocaust? She died before.

Mother

Her name?

Szerena Jager (nee Rosenfeld) (Jewish name: Sara) (marriage: 1923)

Where and when was she born? Harina (Beszterce-Naszod county), 1903

Where else did she live? Harina

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

What sort of education did she have? She finished primary school.

What sort of work did she do? She was a housewife.

How religious was she?

She observed every holiday, she kept a kosher household, each Friday she went to the synagogue, she wore a wig, she went to the mikveh monthly.

What was her mother tongue? Yiddish

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		

Piroska Grunstein	Harina	Housewife	Marton Grunstein	Andras Grunstein	No information
(nee Rosenfeld)	(Beszterce-		(the eldest son of	(m), born in	
(after she	Naszod county),		Berta Grunstein,	Marosvasarhely in	
divorced, in	1910s - ?, ?		nee Blatt, the	1949, he made	
Israel she	(Israel)		sister of the	aliyah with his	
changed her	She emigrated to		maternal	mother in 1958	
name to Peled)	Israel in 1958		grandmother –		
	with her son.		for details see		
			there)		
Markus Rosenfeld	Harina	Trader, in	His first wife died	3 children in his	No information
	(Beszterce-	1957 he	in Auschwitz in	first marriage,	
	Naszod county),	emigrated to	1944;	they died in	
	1900s – Israel,	Israel, he had	No information	Auschwitz in 1944	
	1957	а	on his second		
		shoemaker's	wife		
		shop there.			
Adolf Rosenfeld	Harina	Trader	His first wife died	First marriage:	No information
	(Beszterce-		before WW II;	none;	
	Naszod county),		His second wife	Second marriage:	
	1900s - Buenos		was from the	no information	
	Aires, ?		Maramaros		
	In 1946 he left		county, his		
	for Argentina,		father was a		
	before that they		shochet.		
	had lived in				
	Beszterce				
Marta ? (nee	Harina	Housewife	His husband was	A daughter, she	No information
Rosenfeld)	(Beszterce-		a Jew from	was deported with	
	Naszod county),		Bucharest; we	her mother, she	
	1910s -		don't know what	died in Auschwitz	
	Auschwitz, 1944		happened to him	in 1944.	
	(Poland)		before and after		
	They lived in		the war.		
	Harina				
There was one					
more sister, who					
established a					
family in					
Bucharest, no					
information on					

her.

Where was she during the Holocaust? Ghetto: Beszterce Concentration camp: Auschwitz (she died there) (Poland)

Maternal grandfather

Your maternal grandfather's name? Jozsef Rosenfeld

Where and when was he born? Harina (Beszterce-Naszod county), 1880s

Where else did he live?

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Where and when did he die? Harina, 1930s (Romania)

What sort of education did he have? No information

What sort of work did he do? Corn trader

How religious was he? He was religious, he attended the synagogue, he kept a kosher household.

What was his mother tongue? Yiddish

Army service: which army and what years? During WW I he was a prisoner for several years in Russia.

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		
David Rosenfeld	Harina	Farmer	No information	A son - he died in	No information
	(Beszterce-			Auschwitz in 1944	
	Naszod county),			A son – he	
	? – Auschwitz,			survived	
	1944 (Poland)			deportation, left	
				for Israel in the	
				1950s	
Jenkel Rosenfeld	Harina	Farmer	No information	A daughter – she	No information
	(Beszterce-			was married and	
	Naszod county),			had a child, they	
	? – Auschwitz,			died in Auschwitz	
	1944 (Poland)			in 1944	

Where was he during the Holocaust? He died before.

Maternal grandmother

Your maternal grandmother's name? Hendl Rosenfeld (nee Blatt)

Where and when was she born? Harina (Beszterce-Naszod county), year unknown

Where else did she live?

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

What sort of education did she have? No information

What sort of work did she do? She was a housewife.

How religious was she? She was very religious, she kept a kosher household, she wore a wig, she observed every holiday.

What was her mother tongue? Yiddish

Tell me about her brothers and sisters.

Tell me a	bout her brothe	rs and sister	s.		
name	place and date of	occupation	biographical data	biographical data	describe how religious
	birth/death		and origins of	of children	they were
			spouse		
Berta Grunstein	Harina	Housewife	Mendel	Marton	No information
(nee Blatt)	(Beszterce-		Grunstein, he	(Kozepfalva	
	Naszod county),		had a shop in	/Szolnok-Doboka	
	? – ?, ?		Kozepfalva, he	county/, 1909 –	
	They lived in		died in Auschwitz	Marosvasarhely,	
	Kozepfalva.		in 1944	1912 /Romania/) –	
				he was a	
				bookkeeper. His	
				first wife and his	
				approx. 4 year old	
				daughter were	
				deported from	
				Marosvasarhely,	
				they perished in	
				Auschwitz; he was	
				doing work service	
				in Nagybanya,	
				Borsa and in the	
				surroundings of	
				Maramarossziget.	
				His second wife,	
				whom he divorced	
				in 1958, was	
				Piroska Rosenfeld,	
				the sister of the	
				interviewee's	
				mother (for details	
				see: siblings of	
				mother). His third	
				wife wasn't Jewish.	
				She lived in	
				Marosvasarhely.	
				Jozsef (for details	
				see the husband of	
				Berta Grunstein	
				/the interviewee/)	

				Mihaly - he was	
				born in Kozepfalva	
				(Romania) in the	
				1920s, he did work	
				service in	
				Budakalasz and	
				Siklos, he was	
				taken to a	
				concentration	
				camp	
				(Auschwitz?), and	
				he died in a	
				concentration	
				camp in Germany.	
? Blatt (m)	Harina	Innkeeper	He had a wife, no	A daughter – she	No information
	(Beszterce-		information on	died at a young	
	Naszod county),		her	age before WW II	
	? – ?, ?			A daughter – no	
	They lived in			information	
	Marosvasarhely.				
? Blatt (m)	Harina	Doctor	No information	No information	No information
	(Beszterce-				
	Naszod county),				
	? – ?, ?				
	He lived in				
	Budapest.				
One more					
sibling, no					
information					
Where wa	is she durina th	e Holocaust?			

Where was she during the Holocaust? Ghetto: Beszterce Concentration camp: Auschwitz (Poland), 1944 (she died there)