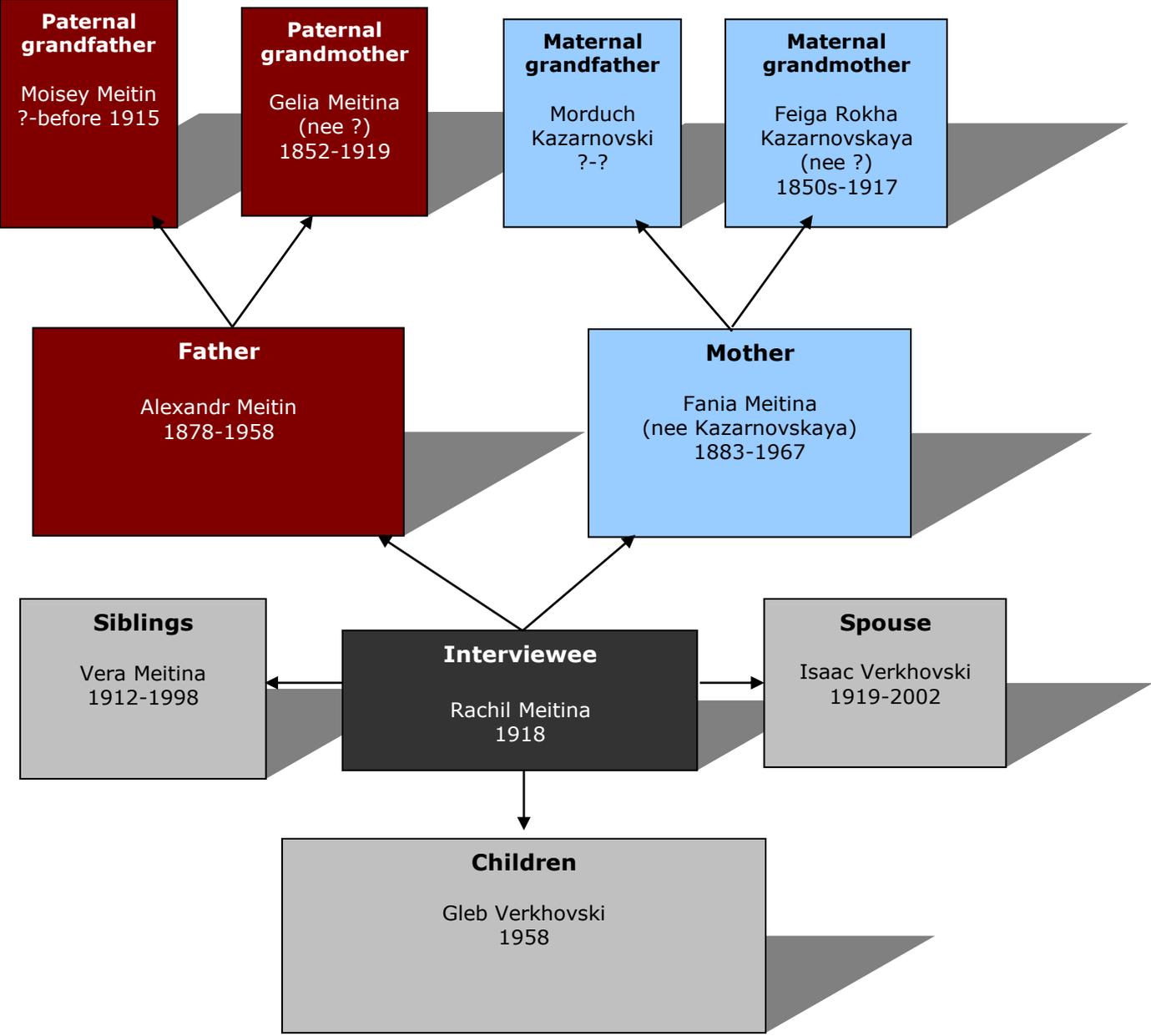


Family Tree



The interviewee and his family

Full name

Rachil Meitina

Where and when were you born?

Petrograd (today St. Petersburg), 1918

Where else did you live?

Moscow, Kineshma

Your educational level?

Graduated from the Faculty of Biology of Moscow State University

What sort of work do/did you do?

During WWII laboratory assistant at the hospital in Kineshma. After WWII: senior scientific employee, Doctor of Biological Sciences of the Cardiovascular Surgery Center

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

My family was not religious.

What is your mother tongue?

Russian

How many languages do you speak?

None

Where were you during the Holocaust?

In Kineshma, Russia (on not occupied territory)

Siblings

Their names

Vera Meitina

Where and when were they born?

Vitebsk, 1912

What is their mother tongue?

Russian

Their educational level?

Graduated from the Technological Faculty of Moscow Chemical Technological College

Their occupations?

Senior scientific employee, candidate of technical sciences, worked at Moscow Institute of Glass

Where do/did they live?

Moscow

Where else did they live?

Kineshma

Do they have children?

Leonid Prushak, born in 1941

Where and when did they die?

Moscow, 1998

Spouse

Name?

Isaac Verkhovski

Where and when was he/she born?

Vitebsk, 1919

Where else did he live?

Moscow

Is he/she Jewish?

Yes

What is his/her mother tongue?

Russian

His/her educational level?

Vitebsk Art School

Occupation?

Stage designer at the State Jewish Theater under the management of Mikhoels,
then in the Maly Theater

Where and when did he/she die?

Moscow, 2002

Children

Their names?

Gleb Verkhovski

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

Atheist, identifies himself as a Jew

Where and when were they born?

Moscow, 1958

Their educational level?

Faculty of Electric Engines of Moscow College of Railroad Transport

Their occupations?

Supervisor/electric substation of Moscow metro

How many grandchildren do you have?

Vitali Verkhovski, born in 1981, works at a bank in Ottawa (Canada)

Father

His name?

Alexandr Meitin (Jewish name: Tsala)

Where and when was he was born?

Vitebsk, 1878

Where else did he live?

Beryozov, St. Petersburg, Moscow

Where and when did he die?

Moscow, 1958

What sort of education did he have?

Cheder

What sort of work did he do?

Before WWII: typesetter in a printing house, corrector, editor in the publishing house of the editorial office of a scientific research institute.

After WWII: editor in the publishing house of the editorial office of a scientific research institute

How religious was he?

Atheist

What was his mother tongue?

Yiddish

Army service: Which army and what years?

Tsarist army, 1914–1916

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

I don't know the dates of birth of my father's brothers or sisters; and I don't know the name of one of my father's sisters that moved to New York, USA, with her grandmother before 1915.

Ruvim Meitin older brother, was born before 1878

Mosha Meitin younger brother, was born after 1878, also called Moila

Rosa ? (nee Meitina)

Where was he during the Holocaust?

Worked in Moscow as editor in the publishing house of a scientific research institute

If he survived, what did he do after?

Worked at a scientific research institute in Moscow before 1952. Retired and was a volunteer employee in a library.

Paternal grandfather

Your father's father name?

Moisey Meitin

Where and when was he born?

Vitebsk

Where else did he live?

No information

Where and when did he die?

Vitebsk, date unknown

What sort of education did he have?

No information

What sort of work did he do?

No information

How religious was he?

He was religious: he followed the kashrut, celebrated all Jewish holidays and went to the synagogue regularly.

What was his mother tongue?

Yiddish

Army service: Which army and what years?

No information

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

No information

Where was he during the Holocaust?

Died before

Paternal grandmother

Your father's mother's name?

Gelia Meitina (nee ?)

Where and when was she born?

Vitebsk, 1852

Where else did she live?

No information

Where and when did she die?

New York (USA), 1919

What sort of education did she have?

No information

What sort of work did she do?

No information

How religious was she?

She was religious: she followed the kashrut, celebrated all Jewish holidays and went to the synagogue regularly.

What was her mother tongue?

Yiddish

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

No information

Where was she during the Holocaust?

Died before

Mother

Her name?

Fania Meitina (nee Kazarnovskaya) (Jewish name: Frada)

Where and when was she born?

Kazarnovichi, Vitebsk region, 1883

Where else did she live?

Petrograd (today St. Petersburg), Moscow, Kineshma

Where and when did she die?

Moscow, 1967

What sort of education did she have?

Vitebsk Medical/Obstetrics School

What sort of work did she do?

In Petrograd: senior medical nurse in a surgery department of a town hospital

In Moscow: medical nurse in a medical sanitary unit

How religious was she?

Not religious

What was her mother tongue?

Yiddish

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

Isaac Kazarnovski: died in infancy

Vera Levitan (nee Dvoira Kazarnovskaya) (1890-1990): pharmacist, lived in

Vitebsk before WWII, in Ekaterinburg after WWII. Her husband was an attorney.
Children: son Alexandr Levitan, 1908-1950; surgeon; daughter Sophia
Kamenskaya (nee Levitan), 1910-1985, lawyer; grandson Edward Kaminski, born
in 1936, correspondent member of the Academy of Natural Sciences

Where was she during the Holocaust?

Kineshma (on not occupied territory)

If she survived, what did she do after?

Pensioner, lived in Moscow

Maternal grandfather

Your mother's father's name?

Morduch Kazarnovski

Where and when was he born?

Kazarnovichi, Vitebsk region, date unknown

Where else did he live?

No information

Where and when did he die?

Vitebsk, date unknown

What sort of education did he have?

No information

What sort of work did he do?

No information

How religious was he?

He was religious: he followed the kashrut, celebrated Jewish holidays and went to the synagogue regularly.

What was his mother tongue?

Yiddish

Army service: Which army and what years?

No information

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

No information

Where was she during the Holocaust?

Died before

Maternal grandmother

Your mother's mother's name?

Feiga Rokha Kazarnovskaya (nee ?)

Where and when was she born?

Kazarnovichi, Vitebsk region, late 1850s

Where else did she live?

No information

Where and when did she die?

Vitebsk, 1917

What sort of education did she have?

No information

What sort of work did she do?

No information

How religious was she?

She was religious: she followed the kashrut, celebrated Jewish holidays and went to the synagogue regularly.

What was her mother tongue?

Yiddish

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

Esfir Okuneva (nee ?) (?-1940s): was born in Kazarnovichi in late 1850s. Lived and died in Vitebsk. Husband Ruvim Okunev, 4 daughters: Sophia Okuneva 1891-1996, teacher, Anna Okuneva, 1894-1975 secretary, Mary Okuneva, 1892-1967, teacher and Sophia Okuneva, 1912-2001, secretary.

Where was he during the Holocaust?

Died before