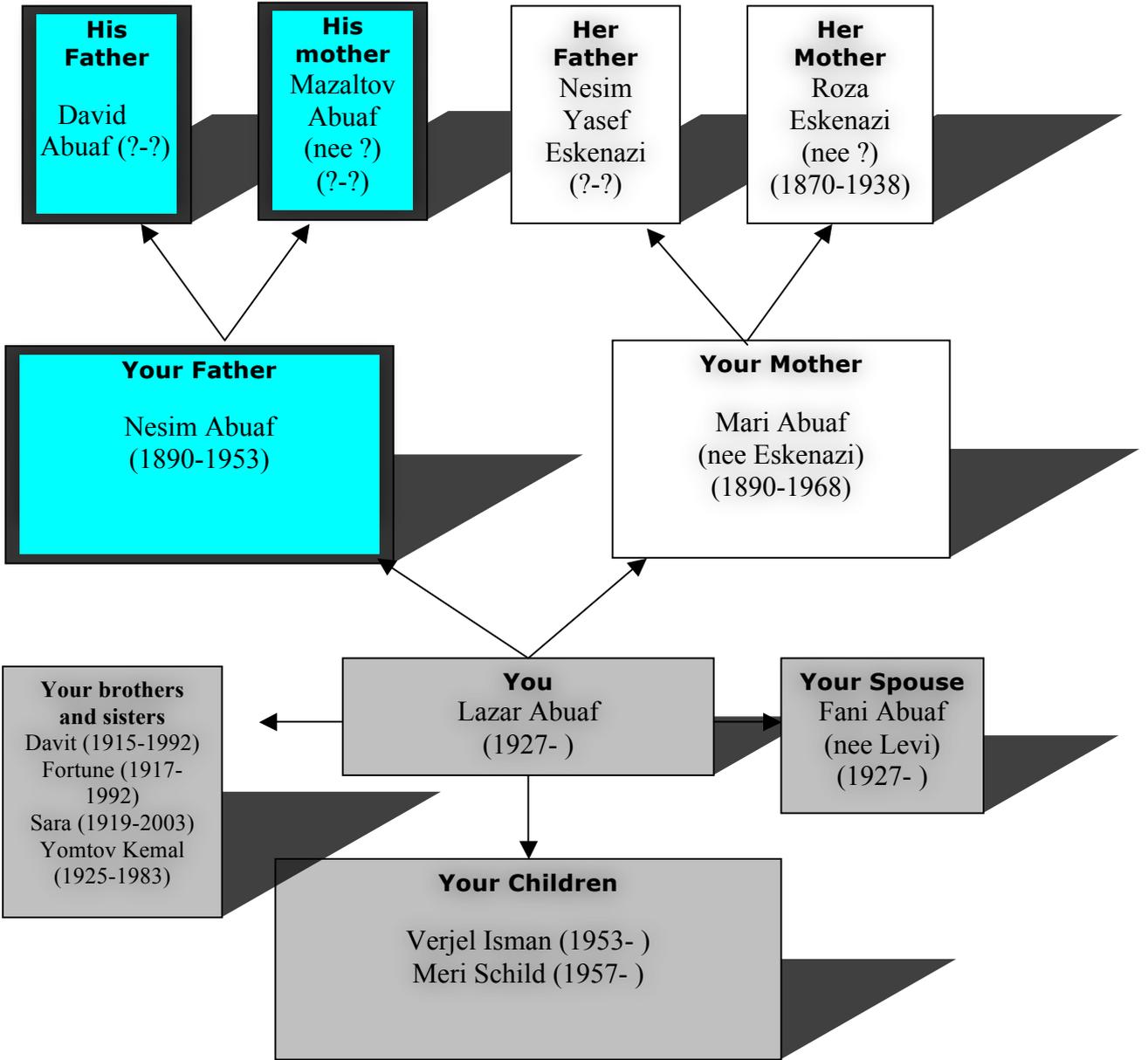
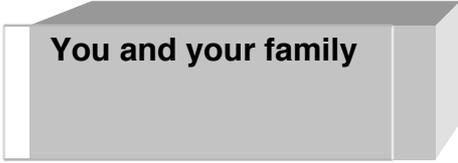


Your family tree





You and your family

Your full name

Lazar Abuaf

Where and when were you born?

1927, Istanbul Ortakoy

Where else did you live?

I always lived in Istanbul.

Your educational level?

I had to drop out of middle school.

What sort of work do/did you do?

I was an independent merchant, I retired.

What was the level of religiosity in your parents' home? How were you raised?

We observed our religion, we tried to apply the traditions as much as we could. We had separate flatware and dinnerware for Passover in our house.____

What is your mother tongue?

Turkish, Judeo Espanyol was spoken at home with my grandmother, we learned this language by ear, in this way. _____

How many languages do you speak?

I do not know any other languages unfortunately

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

Yes, between 1947-1950, I did it in Istanbul, Alemdag, at Onerli.

Your brothers and sisters

Their names

Davit, Fortune (Farsi), Sara (Saylag), Yomtov

Where and when were they born?

All in Istanbul

What is their mother tongue?

Turkish and Judeo-Espanyol

Their educational level?

Davit attended Italian Highschool, had to drop out before he finished.

My older sisters went to Turkish elementary schools and had to drop out.

My older brother Yomtov went to Kabatash Highschool, had to quit in 7th grade.

Their occupations?

Davit was a manufacturer of leather gloves.

Fortune was a housewife and a tailor.

Sara was a housewife and a tailor.

Yomtov and I were merchants.

Where do/did they live?

Istanbul

Where else did they live?

In our family, only my older sister Sara and her spouse lived in Ankara for a while due to work.

Do they have children?

David has two daughters, Meri and Perla. They are both married.

Fortune has daughters named Beki and Meri, and a son named Niso.

Unfortunately Beki died at the age of 52 due to congestive heart failure and Niso when he was only 27, due to cancer that they were late to diagnose.

Sara's children named Viki and Albert are married. Albert lives in Istanbul, and Viki in Israel.

Kemal (Yomtov) has daughters named Meri and Suzi. Meri died due to congestive heart failure when she was only 52 years old.

Where and when did they die?

Kemal (Yomtov) in 1983 in Istanbul,
Davit and Fortune in 1992 in Istanbul,
Sara in 2003, in Israel.

Your spouse

Name?

Fani Levi

Where and when was he/she born?

In Istanbul, in 1927

Where else did he live?

She has always lived in Istanbul

Is he/she Jewish?

Yes

What is his/her mother tongue?

Turkish and Judeo-Espanyol

His/her educational level?

Elementary school

Occupation?

Housewife

Where and when did he/she die?

Tell us about what you know or remember about your spouse's siblings. (Names, birth/death dates, occupation, where they lived, names of spouses and children, if their families were Jewish, if they were religious etc.)

Her older sister Roza (born in 1923 is a graduate of elementary school. She worked as a machinist in a leather gloves store. She married Izak Bener in 1941. Her husband was a drover (He worked in a slaughterhouse). When he had children, he did not work anymore. Their daughter Rika was born in 1951, their

son Salvo in 1956. From the marriage of her daughter to Leon Birisi in 1969, Alper and Inci were born. They both married Jewish people. Unfortunately, Inci divorced at the end of the 5th year.

Her other older daughter Sara (1925) is an elementary school graduate. She married Anri Muraben in 1943, unfortunately they did not have children. Sara worked in a silk pantyhose factory for a long while. After getting married she supplemented the family budget by working as a pantyhose restorer.

Your children

Their names?

Verjel and Meri

Where and when were they born?

Verjel (1953), Meri (1957) Istanbul

Where else did they live?

They have always lived in Istanbul.

Their educational level?

My older daughter Verjel unfortunately did not enjoy school, she dropped out in 2nd grade of highschool.

My younger daughter Meri, after finishing French Highschool, could not continue in the University she started due to the anarchy and disorder caused by political reasons.

Their occupations?

Housewife

How many grandchildren do you have?

I have grandchildren named Eytan and Koray from Verjel,
And Percy and Larry from Meri.

Your father

His name?

Nesim Abuaf

Where and when was he was born?

He was born in Istanbul in 1890.

Where else did he live?

He always lived in Istanbul

Where and when did he die?

He died in Istanbul in 1953.

What sort of education did he have?

He probably attended a few years of elementary school.

What sort of work did he do?

My father used to manufacture "fez"s at first, then he became a hardware dealer. With time, he started selling wine, later on when he started preparing and selling small appetizers with the wine, the business place turned into a mini bar .

What was his level of religiosity?

He observed his religion.

What was his mother tongue?

Turkish, they spoke Judeo Espagnol at home with my mother.

Army service: Which army and what years?

I have no information.

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

Where was he during the Holocaust?

If he survived, what did he do after?

Your father's family

His father

Your father's father name?

Davit Abuaf

Where and when was he born?

I do not know.

Where else did he live?

I do not know.

Where and when did he die?

I do not know.

What sort of education did he have?

I do not know.

What sort of work did he do?

I do not know.

What was his level of religiosity?

I do not know.

What was his mother tongue?

I do not know.

Army service: Which army and what years?

I do not know.

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

Where was he during the Holocaust?

If he survived what did he do after?

His mother

Your father's mother's name?

Mazaltov

Where and when was she born?

I do not know.

Where else did she live?

I do not know.

Where and when did she die?

I do not know.

What sort of education did she have?

I do not know.

What sort of work did she do?

I do not know.

What was her level of religiosity?

I do not know.

What was her mother tongue?

I do not know.

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

Where was she during the Holocaust?

If she survived what did she do after?

Your Mother

Her name?

Mari Eskenazi

Where and when was she was born?

In Istanbul, in 1890.

Where else did she live?

She has always lived in Istanbul.

Where and when did she die?

She died in Istanbul in 1968.

What sort of education did she have?

She had attended 2,3 year of elementary school.

What sort of work did she do?

She was a housewife.

What was her level of religiosity?

She was religious, she tried to observe the traditions of her religion.

What was her mother tongue?

Turkish, she spoke in Judeo Espanyol with my father at home.

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

Where was she during the Holocaust?

If she survived, what did she do after?

Your Mother's family

Her father

Your mother's father name?

Nesim Yasef Eskenazi

Where and when was he born?

I do not know.

Where else did he live?

I do not know.

Where and when did he die?

I do not know.

What sort of education did he have?

I do not know.

What sort of work did he do?

I do not know.

What was his level of religiosity?

I do not know.

What was his mother tongue?

I do not know.

Army service: Which army and what years?

I do not know.

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

Where was he during the Holocaust?

If he survived what did he do after?

Her mother

Your mother's mother's name?

Roza

Where and when was she born?

She was born in Istanbul in 1870.

Where else did she live?

As far as I know, she always lived in Istanbul.

Where and when did she die?

She died in Istanbul in 1938.

What sort of education did she have?

I do not know.

What sort of work did she do?

She was a housewife.

What was her level of religiosity?

She was religious.

What was her mother tongue?

Turkish and Judeo Espagnol.

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

Where was she during the Holocaust?

If she survived what did she do after?
