ANNE LOEB MARX PAPERS, 1939 1999.2.2

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Appendix A. Memoir of Anne Loeb Marx

The following memoir of Anne Loeb Marx (born Anneliese Loeb, 1930-) is housed in the donor files of the United State Holocaust Memorial Museum.

My brother Fred was born on March 7, 1925 in Rastatt, Germany. My father Arthur Loeb left Germany in January 1939 together with his brothers, Leopold and Fred....both my brother and my uncle had the same names. My brother Fred left for Cuba together with my mother's sister Erna Forsch in either February or March 1939. My mother and I together with my maternal and paternal grandparents and my mother's aunt Mahle Herz and my aunt Bella and Ruth and Armin Loeb, ten people in all from my immediate family left Germany in May 1939 on the St. Louis leaving Hamburg, Germany heading for Cuba. As you know Cuba refused entry for the ship and we all returned to Europe. We were assigned to Belgium and stayed in Brussels. My mother and I together with Aunt Bella and my cousins Armin & Ruth left Belgium from Antwerp on the ship Penland in April 1940 to New York. I believe that was the last ship to leave Belgium as the Germans marched in while we were on the ship. My grandparents and Aunt Mahle were supposed to follow within weeks as they were waiting for their visas to the USA. Unfortunately that was not to because the Germans arrived and made it impossible for them to leave. My grandmother Mina Lehmann and Aunt Mahle Herz died of natural causes in Brussels. I do not know the date, but it must have been in 1941. My grandfather Salomon Lehman together with my grandfather Isidor Loeb and grandmother Karolina Loeb were sent to Auschwitz were they perished.