BERNHARD STORCH PHOTOGRAPHS, 1916-2012 2013.327.1

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Descriptive summary

Title: Bernhard Storch photographs

Dates: 1916-2012

Accession number: 2013.327.1

Creator: Storch, Bernhard, 1922-

Extent: 1 folder

Repository: United States Holocaust Memorial Museum Archives, 100 Raoul Wallenberg Place SW, Washington, DC 20024-2126

Abstract: The Bernhard Storch photographs consist of pre-war, wartime, and post-war family photographs from Bernhard Storch. Includes photographs of the Krause family of Tomaszów Mazowiecki, Poland, many of whom perished in Treblinka. Includes several photographs of Ruth Krause, who survived the war in Siberia, including a photograph which her husband, Bernhard Storch, carried with him as a member of the First Polish Infantry Division, as well as wartime and post-war copyprints of Mr. Storch in uniform. The photographs had been sent to overseas family members, which is how they survived the war.

Languages: English, German

Administrative Information

Access: Collection is open for use, but is stored offsite. Please contact the Reference Desk more than seven days prior to visit in order to request access.

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Preferred citation: (Identification of item), Bernhard Storch photographs, United States Holocaust Memorial Museum Archives, Washington, DC

Acquisition information: The Bernhard Storch photographs were donated to the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum by Bernhard Storch in 2013.

Accruals: Accruals may have been received since this collection was first processed, see archives catalog at collections.ushmm.org for further information.

Processing history: Dr. Becky Erbelding, 2013

Biographical note

Bernard (now Bernhard) Storch was born in Bochnia, Poland, in 1922. When the Nazis invaded Poland in September 1939, Mr. Storch was put into forced labor near Lwów, Poland, until May 1940, when he fled to Siberia. There, he met and married Ruth Krause, who was originally from Tomaszów Mazowiecki, Poland and had also fled to Siberia. In November 1942, Mr. Storch enlisted in the First Polish Infantry Division and served with this division until October 1945, participating in the liberations of the Majdanek, Sobibor, Chelmno, and Sachsenhausen concentration camps. In 1946, reunited with Ruth, they lived in the Bad Reichenhall displaced persons camp until immigrating to the United States in April 1947.

Scope and content of collection

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System of arrangement

The Bernhard Storch photographs are arranged as one folder.

Indexing terms

Person: Storch, Bernhardt.

Storch, Ruth Krause.

Corporate:

Poland. Wojsko Polskie. Dywizja Piechoty, 1.

Topical Subject:

Holocaust survivors--Poland.

Geography:

Tomaszow Mazowiecki (Poland)

Genre/Form:

Photographs.

CONTAINER LIST

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