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00:00:00,000 --> 00:00:01,780
--for to Munich.

2
00:00:01,780 --> 00:00:03,780
And my brother and I--

3
00:00:03,780 --> 00:00:07,530
and I was going with
the girl to meet him.

4
00:00:07,530 --> 00:00:13,440
He arrived on bicycle
from his camp.

5
00:00:13,440 --> 00:00:18,210
And when he saw that girl,
they both he went crazy.

6
00:00:18,210 --> 00:00:19,890
He wanted her.

7
00:00:19,890 --> 00:00:27,270
She was 19, and
he was already 25.

8
00:00:27,270 --> 00:00:29,050
And that was a big story.

9
00:00:29,050 --> 00:00:32,220

10
00:00:32,220 --> 00:00:34,500
So my brother, he
said, you go away.

11
00:00:34,500 --> 00:00:36,230
I am busy now with
your girlfriend.

12
00:00:36,230 --> 00:00:36,840
Oh!

13
00:00:36,840 --> 00:00:39,820
I said, OK, you
know my brother was

14
00:00:39,820 --> 00:00:48,420
a guy who was a darn guy who
like all of the Bialkowski

15
00:00:48,420 --> 00:00:49,980
family.

16
00:00:49,980 --> 00:00:53,790
Everybody obeyed him, and
do what they want to do.

17
00:00:53,790 --> 00:00:54,522
[LAUGHS]

18
00:00:54,522 --> 00:00:57,150
And that, they used
to be like that.

19
00:00:57,150 --> 00:01:05,519
And this poor guy, when
he was he's 44, 74 years.

20
00:01:05,519 --> 00:01:07,033
he passed away.

21
00:01:07,033 --> 00:01:08,770
Oh, he died young.

22
00:01:08,770 --> 00:01:11,070
Yeah, he has, because--

23
00:01:11,070 --> 00:01:15,990
in his family was a
special medication.

24
00:01:15,990 --> 00:01:18,930
All the people from

this family, they

25

00:01:18,930 --> 00:01:20,320
used to die young themselves.

26

00:01:20,320 --> 00:01:22,200
But you're talking
about your brother.

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00:01:22,200 --> 00:01:22,920
My brother.

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00:01:22,920 --> 00:01:24,900
But he's the same family as you.

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00:01:24,900 --> 00:01:28,770
No, I'm was my
father's more side.

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00:01:28,770 --> 00:01:30,540
And he's more on
your mother's side.

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00:01:30,540 --> 00:01:32,100
He was my mother.

32

00:01:32,100 --> 00:01:35,055
My mother die.

33

00:01:35,055 --> 00:01:37,410
Her sister die young at 42.

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00:01:37,410 --> 00:01:42,050

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00:01:42,050 --> 00:01:46,680
And this daughter of her
sister, when she was 41--

36

00:01:46,680 --> 00:01:49,020
61, she died too.

37

00:01:49,020 --> 00:01:50,175

All of them die--

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00:01:50,175 --> 00:01:50,683

Younger.

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00:01:50,683 --> 00:01:52,225

I don't know what
happened with that.

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00:01:52,225 --> 00:01:55,920

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00:01:55,920 --> 00:01:57,270

So what happened to Vera?

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00:01:57,270 --> 00:01:59,640

I know, according
to my family, there

43

00:01:59,640 --> 00:02:06,870

is nobody else whom I
know who is already dead.

44

00:02:06,870 --> 00:02:10,007

There was-- well, it's
11 o'clock, is it?

45

00:02:10,007 --> 00:02:10,507

11:30.

46

00:02:10,507 --> 00:02:11,361

Huh?

47

00:02:11,361 --> 00:02:12,126

11:30.

48

00:02:12,126 --> 00:02:12,800

11:30.

49

00:02:12,800 --> 00:02:13,330

Yeah.

50
00:02:13,330 --> 00:02:13,830
Oh, wow.

51
00:02:13,830 --> 00:02:15,900
OK, let's talk a
little bit more.

52
00:02:15,900 --> 00:02:17,250
And we're almost done.

53
00:02:17,250 --> 00:02:18,450
We're almost done with the--

54
00:02:18,450 --> 00:02:18,950
Aren't you?

55
00:02:18,950 --> 00:02:19,890
We're almost done.

56
00:02:19,890 --> 00:02:20,390
Yes.

57
00:02:20,390 --> 00:02:22,470
But a few more questions.

58
00:02:22,470 --> 00:02:28,750
So did Vera become your
brother's girlfriend?

59
00:02:28,750 --> 00:02:29,250
That girl.

60
00:02:29,250 --> 00:02:31,170
No, I brought her here.

61
00:02:31,170 --> 00:02:33,570
And I delivered her to him.

62
00:02:33,570 --> 00:02:34,560

OK.

63

00:02:34,560 --> 00:02:38,390

At that time, I
don't care too much.

64

00:02:38,390 --> 00:02:47,850

Besides, still, see, I was
at that time 19 and 21.

65

00:02:47,850 --> 00:02:50,550

And there was a lot of
things in the meantime.

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00:02:50,550 --> 00:02:51,960

OK.

67

00:02:51,960 --> 00:02:55,050

So what happened with
your lives in Germany

68

00:02:55,050 --> 00:02:56,580

from the displaced
persons camp--

69

00:02:56,580 --> 00:03:00,190

I went to study in Germany--

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00:03:00,190 --> 00:03:04,500

Karl Marx University in Munich.

71

00:03:04,500 --> 00:03:06,210

Studied dentistry.

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00:03:06,210 --> 00:03:08,100

Karl Marx University?

73

00:03:08,100 --> 00:03:08,970

Yes.

74

00:03:08,970 --> 00:03:09,720

In Munich?

75
00:03:09,720 --> 00:03:12,972
In Munich was a--

76
00:03:12,972 --> 00:03:15,600
Karl Ludwig-- how
is it I forgot that.

77
00:03:15,600 --> 00:03:17,370
Not Karl Marx, something else.

78
00:03:17,370 --> 00:03:20,490
No, no, no.

79
00:03:20,490 --> 00:03:22,510
Ludwig Maximilian University.

80
00:03:22,510 --> 00:03:23,010
OK.

81
00:03:23,010 --> 00:03:23,640
Mm-hmm.

82
00:03:23,640 --> 00:03:30,460
And then 1948 or
'49, everybody was

83
00:03:30,460 --> 00:03:37,160
start going out from Germany
to where they open up American.

84
00:03:37,160 --> 00:03:46,520
They get 100,000 free
quarters for all DPs

85
00:03:46,520 --> 00:03:49,550
to out from the Europe,
because the Europe,

86
00:03:49,550 --> 00:03:51,360
they wanted people keep them.

87

00:03:51,360 --> 00:04:00,470

And I signed a thing
for the passport.

88

00:04:00,470 --> 00:04:03,830

And they give me--
and they pass away.

89

00:04:03,830 --> 00:04:10,230

I remember my friend next to my
door, he was a very nice guy,

90

00:04:10,230 --> 00:04:13,520

but he was more Left.

91

00:04:13,520 --> 00:04:18,110

And they asked me,
do you know Kubaj?

92

00:04:18,110 --> 00:04:21,690

And then the guy from CIA
said, do you know Kubaj?

93

00:04:21,690 --> 00:04:23,030

I said, I know him.

94

00:04:23,030 --> 00:04:25,880

Do you know he is a Left.

95

00:04:25,880 --> 00:04:30,820

And I said, I know, but what
I am going to do with him?

96

00:04:30,820 --> 00:04:36,590

He lived next door
from me, and that's it.

97

00:04:36,590 --> 00:04:38,180

And that's how I know him.

98

00:04:38,180 --> 00:04:39,110

Mm-hmm.

99
00:04:39,110 --> 00:04:41,690
So they were testing to
see who was more left,

100
00:04:41,690 --> 00:04:42,650
who was more communist?

101
00:04:42,650 --> 00:04:43,620
Is that it?

102
00:04:43,620 --> 00:04:44,120
No.

103
00:04:44,120 --> 00:04:46,190
He never emigrated.

104
00:04:46,190 --> 00:04:49,740
He is still living in Munich.

105
00:04:49,740 --> 00:04:55,220
He married a German girl, have
two boy-- two girls to that.

106
00:04:55,220 --> 00:04:56,190
And he--

107
00:04:56,190 --> 00:04:57,800
Oh, so he stayed.

108
00:04:57,800 --> 00:04:58,790
Yes, yes.

109
00:04:58,790 --> 00:05:01,770
And you emigrated to
the United States.

110
00:05:01,770 --> 00:05:02,270
Excuse me?

111
00:05:02,270 --> 00:05:03,890

You came to the United States.

112

00:05:03,890 --> 00:05:07,390

Yes, I came to
the United States.

113

00:05:07,390 --> 00:05:15,830

You see, when I passed all
the information, they told me,

114

00:05:15,830 --> 00:05:19,700

and now you have to go on
the transport to the village,

115

00:05:19,700 --> 00:05:23,330

to the camp, where they're
collecting all the people

116

00:05:23,330 --> 00:05:26,450

and sending them to
the United States.

117

00:05:26,450 --> 00:05:30,590

I went over there to that camp.

118

00:05:30,590 --> 00:05:33,590

I think was named Wildflecken.

119

00:05:33,590 --> 00:05:38,930

And I was sent over there
after I was learning over

120

00:05:38,930 --> 00:05:40,730

there more English.

121

00:05:40,730 --> 00:05:42,890

And after a month,
they tell us--

122

00:05:42,890 --> 00:05:46,200

put me to be transferred
to Bremerhaven.

123

00:05:46,200 --> 00:05:49,190

It was on the German port.

124

00:05:49,190 --> 00:05:52,280

And then Bremerhaven, we
wait a couple of days.

125

00:05:52,280 --> 00:05:57,200

And they put us all on
that ship and shipped us

126

00:05:57,200 --> 00:06:01,130

to the United States.

127

00:06:01,130 --> 00:06:15,380

And the 20-- that was in
December 12 in '50, I arrived

128

00:06:15,380 --> 00:06:17,020

to Munich--

129

00:06:17,020 --> 00:06:19,430

I mean, to New York.

130

00:06:19,430 --> 00:06:23,450

In New York, everybody going
over all of those things.

131

00:06:23,450 --> 00:06:26,450

And I said-- somebody yelled
to me, saying, Andrew, Andrew,

132

00:06:26,450 --> 00:06:27,320

Andrew.

133

00:06:27,320 --> 00:06:29,540

I said, that was
my sister-in-law.

134

00:06:29,540 --> 00:06:35,300

I said, she's now
a big lawyer here.

135
00:06:35,300 --> 00:06:38,020
And just as well, she
may go the collection

136
00:06:38,020 --> 00:06:40,280
when you [INAUDIBLE].

137
00:06:40,280 --> 00:06:43,830
So your sister-in-law
was your brother's wife?

138
00:06:43,830 --> 00:06:44,330
Excuse me?

139
00:06:44,330 --> 00:06:46,280
Was she your brother's wife?

140
00:06:46,280 --> 00:06:48,225
Yeah, that was my wife But she--

141
00:06:48,225 --> 00:06:50,420
No, your brother's wife.

142
00:06:50,420 --> 00:06:52,790
This lady that you
saw when you arrived--

143
00:06:52,790 --> 00:06:53,300
Yeah.

144
00:06:53,300 --> 00:06:56,630
--in the United States, was
she your brother's wife?

145
00:06:56,630 --> 00:06:57,710
Yes.

146
00:06:57,710 --> 00:06:58,955
OK, so he had married.

147

00:06:58,955 --> 00:07:03,620
Yeah, they married the second
week when they met second--

148
00:07:03,620 --> 00:07:05,510
in two weeks that they married.

149
00:07:05,510 --> 00:07:06,140
Oh.

150
00:07:06,140 --> 00:07:09,950
Then they told him, you
have to take church wedding

151
00:07:09,950 --> 00:07:13,660
because another way, your family
will say, we don't recognize.

152
00:07:13,660 --> 00:07:17,450
Ah you know how at that time,
where they're saying, OK,

153
00:07:17,450 --> 00:07:19,140
taken, taken, taken.

154
00:07:19,140 --> 00:07:21,050
And they were married.

155
00:07:21,050 --> 00:07:26,510
And they took his mother.

156
00:07:26,510 --> 00:07:31,300
And my oldest sister,
Maria, was born in--

157
00:07:31,300 --> 00:07:34,490

158
00:07:34,490 --> 00:07:36,366
His oldest daughter.

159
00:07:36,366 --> 00:07:42,440

Yeah, and my-- that's what
my brother does there.

160
00:07:42,440 --> 00:07:43,730
Maria was the oldest.

161
00:07:43,730 --> 00:07:47,270
She was eight
months old when they

162
00:07:47,270 --> 00:07:50,240
went on boat to the German--

163
00:07:50,240 --> 00:07:52,010
to United States.

164
00:07:52,010 --> 00:07:53,400
And they came before you?

165
00:07:53,400 --> 00:07:54,460
Yeah, they are here.

166
00:07:54,460 --> 00:07:57,825
And I supposed to go to--

167
00:07:57,825 --> 00:08:02,440

168
00:08:02,440 --> 00:08:04,130
what do you call it?

169
00:08:04,130 --> 00:08:05,540
Chicago.

170
00:08:05,540 --> 00:08:08,780
But I decided-- they said,
where are you going to go?

171
00:08:08,780 --> 00:08:12,890
Those invitation, they
were arranged so just

172

00:08:12,890 --> 00:08:14,270
to get you here.

173

00:08:14,270 --> 00:08:15,410
You go with us.

174

00:08:15,410 --> 00:08:16,720
We're going to help you.

175

00:08:16,720 --> 00:08:19,160
And that's it,
how did it happen.

176

00:08:19,160 --> 00:08:20,360
So you stayed in New York.

177

00:08:20,360 --> 00:08:21,920
I stayed in New York.

178

00:08:21,920 --> 00:08:22,850
OK.

179

00:08:22,850 --> 00:08:24,800
And did you marry here?

180

00:08:24,800 --> 00:08:25,580
Did you get ma--

181

00:08:25,580 --> 00:08:29,510
I married in 19--

182

00:08:29,510 --> 00:08:35,570
very late, because there
were so many women that I--

183

00:08:35,570 --> 00:08:36,070
no, no, no.

184

00:08:36,070 --> 00:08:37,250
[LAUGHS] Hard to choose.

185

00:08:37,250 --> 00:08:37,750

No, no.

186

00:08:37,750 --> 00:08:39,659

She was a very nice woman.

187

00:08:39,659 --> 00:08:41,690

And she was--

188

00:08:41,690 --> 00:08:42,860

You can't-- don't get up.

189

00:08:42,860 --> 00:08:43,579

Don't get up.

190

00:08:43,579 --> 00:08:44,079

No.

191

00:08:44,079 --> 00:08:56,460

And I married her in 1977.

192

00:08:56,460 --> 00:08:57,480

Uh-huh.

193

00:08:57,480 --> 00:08:58,690

OK.

194

00:08:58,690 --> 00:09:01,630

36 years, 37 years.

195

00:09:01,630 --> 00:09:03,940

We bought that house in Lucinda.

196

00:09:03,940 --> 00:09:04,780

OK.

197

00:09:04,780 --> 00:09:08,150

And that was my story today.

198

00:09:08,150 --> 00:09:12,290

Well, did you ever study--

199

00:09:12,290 --> 00:09:14,080

did you ever practice dentistry?

200

00:09:14,080 --> 00:09:20,620

No, after two years,
when I get the money,

201

00:09:20,620 --> 00:09:26,590

I wanted to go into the NYU
University for a short time.

202

00:09:26,590 --> 00:09:29,350

And then when I
send my papers, they

203

00:09:29,350 --> 00:09:37,330

say you are too old to start
in your age in dentistry.

204

00:09:37,330 --> 00:09:40,270

Wait till later
on and that's it.

205

00:09:40,270 --> 00:09:44,020

And I said, I haven't--

206

00:09:44,020 --> 00:09:47,470

I was working.

207

00:09:47,470 --> 00:09:49,090

My job was not bad.

208

00:09:49,090 --> 00:09:53,240

I was working with a long
company called the Bulova Watch

209

00:09:53,240 --> 00:09:54,032

Company.

210

00:09:54,032 --> 00:09:54,940

Uh-huh.

211

00:09:54,940 --> 00:09:57,910

I was working over
there 39 years.

212

00:09:57,910 --> 00:09:58,420

Wow.

213

00:09:58,420 --> 00:10:01,900

And I get nice few dollars.

214

00:10:01,900 --> 00:10:08,665

215

00:10:08,665 --> 00:10:09,165

From--

216

00:10:09,165 --> 00:10:10,633

From the Bulova Watch.

217

00:10:10,633 --> 00:10:14,680

--medical, from things,
and I can survive.

218

00:10:14,680 --> 00:10:19,590

And I have few dollars left
for my nieces and nephew,

219

00:10:19,590 --> 00:10:26,510

because my brother
had four kids.

220

00:10:26,510 --> 00:10:30,430

One was the oldest
one because he was--

221

00:10:30,430 --> 00:10:32,890

my brother it was--

222

00:10:32,890 --> 00:10:33,850

her wife.

223
00:10:33,850 --> 00:10:35,260
His wife.

224
00:10:35,260 --> 00:10:37,240
She was against him.

225
00:10:37,240 --> 00:10:40,810
And that guy was lose.

226
00:10:40,810 --> 00:10:44,260
And we're going to say this
concludes the United States

227
00:10:44,260 --> 00:10:48,370
Holocaust Memorial Museum
interview with Mr. Andrew

228
00:10:48,370 --> 00:10:49,580
Garczynski.

229
00:10:49,580 --> 00:10:53,890
You know, I was never
have a chance to go to--

230
00:10:53,890 --> 00:11:01,860
first, I all the time about
40 years ago or 50 years ago,

231
00:11:01,860 --> 00:11:04,310
in Washington.

232
00:11:04,310 --> 00:11:06,518
My niece just went
the last week.

233
00:11:06,518 --> 00:11:08,060
I said, where the
heck are you going?

234
00:11:08,060 --> 00:11:08,930
For what?

235

00:11:08,930 --> 00:11:13,760

Oh, because I want to
see that Ms Barbara.

236

00:11:13,760 --> 00:11:16,190

She stayed whole week in Boston.

237

00:11:16,190 --> 00:11:18,770

She said, you know,
too bad didn't tell me.

238

00:11:18,770 --> 00:11:20,630

I wanted to go with her.

239

00:11:20,630 --> 00:11:24,980

Because of my wife,
I can go no place.

240

00:11:24,980 --> 00:11:29,900

Whenever I go, four years
ago, since seven years ago,

241

00:11:29,900 --> 00:11:32,300

was the last time in Poland.

242

00:11:32,300 --> 00:11:36,860

I went with my niece
and her husband.

243

00:11:36,860 --> 00:11:41,240

We went to see my
one niece in Vienna.

244

00:11:41,240 --> 00:11:44,040

We went to Krakow.

245

00:11:44,040 --> 00:11:44,610

OK.

246

00:11:44,610 --> 00:11:45,560

Thank you for--

247
00:11:45,560 --> 00:11:46,230
Thank-- OK.

248
00:11:46,230 --> 00:11:46,730
Mm-hmm.

249
00:11:46,730 --> 00:11:48,380
You wanted to say something?

250
00:11:48,380 --> 00:11:53,330
I wanted to say, I'm very
glad that you give that.

251
00:11:53,330 --> 00:11:56,960
I have to fight with
my family to make

252
00:11:56,960 --> 00:11:58,580
the room for the studio.

253
00:11:58,580 --> 00:12:01,340
But they said they're going
to forgive me, my wife.

254
00:12:01,340 --> 00:12:02,000
I'm glad.

255
00:12:02,000 --> 00:12:03,430
[LAUGHS] I'm glad.

256
00:12:03,430 --> 00:12:07,010
OK, and thank you very much
for speaking with us today--

257
00:12:07,010 --> 00:12:07,790
You're welcome.

258
00:12:07,790 --> 00:12:09,870
On May 11, 2013.

259

00:12:09,870 --> 00:12:10,370
Excuse me?

260
00:12:10,370 --> 00:12:15,720
And this is May 11, 2013, and
this concludes our interview.

261
00:12:15,720 --> 00:12:16,220
OK.

262
00:12:16,220 --> 00:12:17,090
Thank you so much.

263
00:12:17,090 --> 00:12:18,080
You're welcome.

264
00:12:18,080 --> 00:12:18,610
OK.

265
00:12:18,610 --> 00:12:19,500
OK.

266
00:12:19,500 --> 00:12:21,050
OK.