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Summary

Trudy (nee Hirsch) Chester b. Wetzlar, Germany; parents/Trudy middle of 3 girls, only 5 Jewish families nearby, mostly gentile friends; graduating from lyceum; Hitler coming to power (1933); marriage; move to Frankfurt; son born; fleeing to Nakuru, Kenya (Summer 1938); sister flees to America 1939, other sister imprisoned at Theresienstadt (6 mos); later learning parents had been placed "on a train somewhere to gas chambers" (1942); discussion re: man who tried to save father; marriage to Gustav Kramer who became mayor of Nakuru; Nakuru's independence and move to London (husband dies); immigration to US, staying with sister who had survived Theresienstadt; second marriage; Trudy ran Jewish elderly home (Chicago); visiting Germany and Kenya again; photographs include Trudy's parents (Solomon Hirsch & Emma Baer Hirsch), Trudy's birthplace in Wetzlar, aunts, Trudy & first husband Gustav (their Nakuru home), picture of Heinrich that attempted saving Trudy's father, Gustav Kramer, old Nakuru synagogue, Trudy's son (Bertholt Kramer), sisters Betty & Irma.