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Summary

Helen Feig, born in Craciunesti, Romania (8km from Sighetu Marmatiei), describes being an only child of Orthodox parents; the roundup of 500 Jews in 1941 who were taken to Galicia and killed; Hungarian soldiers chasing Jews out of synagogue on Rosh Hashanah; never seeing her father again after he was taken to the Kasho ghetto while he was out of town on business; being sent to the ghetto in Selo Slatina (Solotvyno, Ukraine) along with her mother and other women and children; being taken by cattle car to Auschwitz in 1944; being separated from her mother; running away from Block C-8 to be with her cousins; being transferred to Lübberstedt labor camp, near Bremenhof, Germany; being required to sew a different color sleeve on the left side of her dress; building bunkers to stay safe from bombing that was occurring at Bremenhof; being transported from place to place by train as the Germans were facing defeat; just missing a boat going to Mare Baltica and then being forced to walk until Ukrainians and Russians told them the war was over; being liberated by English soldiers who housed them in a summer resort near Neustadt; returning to her hometown where she stayed with family in nearby Bechkef [PH]; neighbors who refused to return her family's home or belongings; going to Frankfurt, Germany; getting married in 1948 and emigrating to the U.S with her husband in 1949; living in Cleveland until her husband became ill; living in Allentown, Pa for two years while her husband was in a sanitarium in Colorado and then returning to build a life in Cleveland.