

**Kate Wacz**  
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September 20, 1932 - born Katalin Kadelburger in Budapest, Hungary

1940 - father taken to labor camp outside of Budapest, became ill and died

father's steel factory, with Swedish, Austrian and German clients taken over

1942 - went to Jewish Gymnasium, others would not accept her

March 1944 - Germans arrived - school closed, wore star, allowed 1-2 hours on the street

lived in a designated house with Jewish star

Mother approached Raoul Wallenberg because of Swedish business connections in

family's steel business, asked him to save her son.

family got Schutzpass, brother Gustave became an errand boy

October 1940 - anarchy in the streets, people killed by the Arrow Cross.

Mother contacted Per Anger, a colleague of Wallenberg

Moved into house in Pest

January 1945 - Allied bombing, stayed in cellar

Arrow Cross came - Kate and mother forced into courtyard

taken to Arrow Cross house

280 people crowded onto room, she was on brother's shoulders

Next morning, the Arrow Cross murdered the men in the Danube

women and children taken to ghetto

January 15, 1945 - Russians took mother's papers away

Spring 1945 - went back to school

1948 - mother had started business again and became a Swedish citizen

mother not allowed to return to Hungary

Communists took away their Budapest home

1951 - Got passage to Sweden in exchange for a Swedish steel delivery to Hungary

arranged by her mother, hadn't seen each other for 3 years

1959 - married, had no children because she saw what happened to children during the war

Had a complex about her dark hair and her nose, so she had them changed in Sweden