

June 20, 1912 - Born in Opoczno (near Tomaszow Mazowiecki), Poland

Father was a tanner of animal skins for clothing, mother died in 1914

Moved to Tomaszow Mazowiecki, saw many anti-semitic events, such as stoning

1928-1930 - made lace for curtains, bedspreads and tablecloths

1930 - family moved to Lodz, was a member of a Zionist organization

Married businessman, Aaron Rosenthal who went to Russia and never returned

January 1939 - baby Yakobek born

September 1939 - went to sister's house after seeing soldiers and airplanes

February 1940 - Ghetto established, many families in one room

1942 - Saw her name on a deportation list, neighbor took her son, and she hid

Early 1944 - Ghetto was liquidated

gave her child to an older woman, never saw him again

went by cattle car with her sister to Auschwitz

Spring to Fall 1944 - taken to Waldislus

forced to dig holes in the snow, worked in a salt mine, cutting salt and pushing pieces up an incline, ear was damaged from being hit

1000 people in the block - appels in rain and snow

Late 1944- was transferred to Bergen-Belsen

carried bricks, dug out trees 30 feet high for wood to be used to burn bodies

carried bodies - saw a man cut out the liver from a body

April 15, 1945 - Liberated from Bergen-Belsen

British rabbi, a chaplain, gave her meat, potatoes and soup

sister taken to Sweden- died of TB on June 17

Went to Lodz by train, heard that Natan Kalman, the leader of the Zionist organization was alive. She worked for him, they married and went to Vienna.

Studied nursing in Bad Reichenhav

Came to US - settled in Scranton, Pennsylvania, worked in dress factory, had daughter in 1952

Moved to Tucson, Arizona after husband got emphysema

1968 - moved to Arad, Israel

1989- returned to the US