

Helen Goldkind
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Post - Holocaust / Museum Volunteer

Born July 9, 1928 in Wolosianka, Czechoslovakia

1945 - Almost 17 at liberation by the British near Bergen-Belsen

Lost 89 members of her family

Sister Sylvia survived

Both girls sent to Sweden to recuperate - Helen went to school in Fellgarden

Arrived in New York, lived with sister Frances Adler

Worked for furrier - was very depressed, had a mini-breakdown, got counseling

Married Abe Goldkind, had 3 children - was very overprotective and involved in their lives

Did not tell them of her experience -didn't want them to grow up to be angry and to hate

Is still tormented and fearful, has nightmares of corpses

Has volunteered at the Museum since 1993 - feels she is visiting her family when she is
there

Talks to student groups in high schools

Blesses the US and always speaks up for it

Takes her Judaism very seriously

Says "My soul is sad."