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Gunter Haimann

Gunter Haimann was born on January 26, 1922 in Koblenz, Germany. Gunter's parents decided it was time to leave Germany in the beginning of 1937, when Jewish children were banned from Public schools. Gunter's father had a sister who was living in the United States and vouched for the family however the United States would not allow the entire Haimann family to relocate because there exceeded the family size limit (four members rather than three). Gunter was sent alone to live with his Aunt in Queens, New York. In the United States Gunter went to high school and night school (to learn English) and graduated in June of 1941 and got a job at an auto shop. When the war started, Gunter drafted into the army and was trained as an interrogator. After a short stint in the first division of the United States Army, Gunter transferred to the 101st Airborne unit. He served with the 101st for the remainder of the war. After the war Gunter return to the United States and got into the luncheonette business. He met his wife through work, and they had three children.