

1
00:00:00,000 --> 00:00:01,140

2
00:00:01,140 --> 00:00:03,685
Sometimes I think it
was just yesterday.

3
00:00:03,685 --> 00:00:06,420

4
00:00:06,420 --> 00:00:08,790
This is a continuation of
the United States Holocaust

5
00:00:08,790 --> 00:00:11,880
Memorial Museum volunteer
collection interview

6
00:00:11,880 --> 00:00:13,890
with Ursula Guttstadt McKinney.

7
00:00:13,890 --> 00:00:16,440
This is track number
two, and we were

8
00:00:16,440 --> 00:00:21,600
talking about the end of
the war and the mother

9
00:00:21,600 --> 00:00:24,080
coming back from Auschwitz.

10
00:00:24,080 --> 00:00:28,670
Any other memories of
that particular time we

11
00:00:28,670 --> 00:00:29,610
can talk about.

12
00:00:29,610 --> 00:00:33,850

13
00:00:33,850 --> 00:00:36,730
So people came back, you know?

14
00:00:36,730 --> 00:00:38,500
You never knew.

15
00:00:38,500 --> 00:00:41,530
You never knew, and you
never trusted any of it.

16
00:00:41,530 --> 00:00:45,070
But we got that death
certificate from Vati.

17
00:00:45,070 --> 00:00:48,470
And you see, my father
was a civil servant.

18
00:00:48,470 --> 00:00:50,290
He worked for the
Reichsbahn, which

19
00:00:50,290 --> 00:00:54,420
is now Bundesbahn, which would
be the federal, you know,

20
00:00:54,420 --> 00:00:56,770
railway system.

21
00:00:56,770 --> 00:01:02,590
And then when my father--

22
00:01:02,590 --> 00:01:05,110
when they kicked
him out in '36, they

23
00:01:05,110 --> 00:01:07,780
gave him a special assignment.

24
00:01:07,780 --> 00:01:11,710
And then in '38, certainly

everything was over.

25

00:01:11,710 --> 00:01:16,090

And so they paid the
pension for my father.

26

00:01:16,090 --> 00:01:17,360

Only, we never got it.

27

00:01:17,360 --> 00:01:20,310

The Gestapo collected it.

28

00:01:20,310 --> 00:01:25,470

Because the German railroads,
they thought we cannot--

29

00:01:25,470 --> 00:01:27,900

we have no reason
not to give it--

30

00:01:27,900 --> 00:01:28,900

send it.

31

00:01:28,900 --> 00:01:33,000

We have to have a disciplinary
thing if he murder somebody

32

00:01:33,000 --> 00:01:34,860

or something, you know?

33

00:01:34,860 --> 00:01:35,770

So they paid it.

34

00:01:35,770 --> 00:01:38,470

And the Gestapo collected it.

35

00:01:38,470 --> 00:01:42,030

You had said that you
were hoping even in '45

36

00:01:42,030 --> 00:01:43,670

that your father would come.

37
00:01:43,670 --> 00:01:44,430
Back, yeah.

38
00:01:44,430 --> 00:01:46,170
Did you go looking for him?

39
00:01:46,170 --> 00:01:49,080
No, we-- no, we
didn't look for him.

40
00:01:49,080 --> 00:01:53,110
But my mother walked--

41
00:01:53,110 --> 00:01:55,740
my mother walked
to Frankfurt Oder.

42
00:01:55,740 --> 00:01:59,370
She didn't dare to take Brigitte
and me with her, because this

43
00:01:59,370 --> 00:02:01,680
was all occupied by Russians.

44
00:02:01,680 --> 00:02:05,010
And she walked because there
was no train and nothing.

45
00:02:05,010 --> 00:02:08,340
And she walked to
Frankfurt Oder and looked

46
00:02:08,340 --> 00:02:11,050
if our house was still there.

47
00:02:11,050 --> 00:02:14,136
That's about what,
60 miles or so?

48
00:02:14,136 --> 00:02:16,030
Uh-huh.

49

00:02:16,030 --> 00:02:22,650

And then she-- and then she
went to whatever government

50

00:02:22,650 --> 00:02:25,010

there was in the city
of Frankfurt Oder.

51

00:02:25,010 --> 00:02:28,100

And so they knew very
well that she was there,

52

00:02:28,100 --> 00:02:30,680

that she was alive
and she was there,

53

00:02:30,680 --> 00:02:32,240

and they had her address.

54

00:02:32,240 --> 00:02:36,920

And my mother for a while
administered the house.

55

00:02:36,920 --> 00:02:37,790

She stayed in--

56

00:02:37,790 --> 00:02:38,660

No, no, no, no, no.

57

00:02:38,660 --> 00:02:40,190

She stayed in Berlin.

58

00:02:40,190 --> 00:02:44,300

Because then after '45, my
mother got us an apartment.

59

00:02:44,300 --> 00:02:49,610

But she was the one who
collected the rent for a while

60

00:02:49,610 --> 00:02:51,500

and was responsible for it.

61
00:02:51,500 --> 00:02:53,350
But then she gave it up.

62
00:02:53,350 --> 00:02:57,600
It was too difficult
with the East and so on.

63
00:02:57,600 --> 00:03:00,830
But the city of Frankfurt Oder.

64
00:03:00,830 --> 00:03:05,090
After, you know-- this is
called "Grundbuch" in German.

65
00:03:05,090 --> 00:03:09,500
It's a registry for
all the properties.

66
00:03:09,500 --> 00:03:11,720
And there was at first
Richard Guttstadt.

67
00:03:11,720 --> 00:03:12,920
Then it was crossed out.

68
00:03:12,920 --> 00:03:14,630
Then it was Richard
Israel Guttstadt.

69
00:03:14,630 --> 00:03:16,340
That was crossed out.

70
00:03:16,340 --> 00:03:18,230
Then it was the Third Reich.

71
00:03:18,230 --> 00:03:20,930
And then this was
crossed out in '45

72
00:03:20,930 --> 00:03:24,950

and it became poverty of
the city of Frankfurt Oder.

73
00:03:24,950 --> 00:03:29,120

And the person who
rented then our house

74
00:03:29,120 --> 00:03:32,180
was a physician from Silesia.

75
00:03:32,180 --> 00:03:35,150
And he had his practice
on the first floor

76
00:03:35,150 --> 00:03:37,310
and lived on the second floor.

77
00:03:37,310 --> 00:03:39,350
And so it was in
very good condition,

78
00:03:39,350 --> 00:03:43,610
because as a physician he also
got electrical repairs and all

79
00:03:43,610 --> 00:03:44,550
of that.

80
00:03:44,550 --> 00:03:47,780
So it was maintained very well.

81
00:03:47,780 --> 00:03:51,860
And then he died in the
house somewhere in the '60s.

82
00:03:51,860 --> 00:03:56,060
And then a family
came who rented it,

83
00:03:56,060 --> 00:03:57,890
and they wanted to buy it.

84

00:03:57,890 --> 00:04:01,580
And they asked the city of
Frankfurt Oder and said, look,

85
00:04:01,580 --> 00:04:03,350
it is Wessi property--

86
00:04:03,350 --> 00:04:06,830
You know, West German
people who had escaped.

87
00:04:06,830 --> 00:04:09,820
They didn't know that
it was Jewish property--

88
00:04:09,820 --> 00:04:11,720
they had escaped.

89
00:04:11,720 --> 00:04:14,490
And so we want to buy it.

90
00:04:14,490 --> 00:04:20,089
And the city of Frankfurt Oder
said, sorry, it's not for sale.

91
00:04:20,089 --> 00:04:23,740
And it's not Wessi property.

92
00:04:23,740 --> 00:04:27,160
So that was our salvation.

93
00:04:27,160 --> 00:04:29,650
So my sister and I
got the house back.

94
00:04:29,650 --> 00:04:30,470
You did?

95
00:04:30,470 --> 00:04:30,970
Mm-hmm.

96
00:04:30,970 --> 00:04:35,620

My sister got a lawyer
through friends.

97
00:04:35,620 --> 00:04:36,940
And he only took 10--

98
00:04:36,940 --> 00:04:38,320
15%.

99
00:04:38,320 --> 00:04:42,520
Much less than the
other outfits did.

100
00:04:42,520 --> 00:04:44,130
And--

101
00:04:44,130 --> 00:04:46,440
What year was that, that
you got the house back?

102
00:04:46,440 --> 00:04:49,710
After the wall fell.

103
00:04:49,710 --> 00:04:50,370
You know.

104
00:04:50,370 --> 00:04:51,900
After the wall fell.

105
00:04:51,900 --> 00:04:57,000
Because-- and then he-- because
then we had all the papers.

106
00:04:57,000 --> 00:05:00,870
My mother had always
a little suitcase

107
00:05:00,870 --> 00:05:04,590
during the war, where the
papers of the house were in,

108
00:05:04,590 --> 00:05:07,500

the death certificate of
my father and all that.

109
00:05:07,500 --> 00:05:11,960
And we carried-- she carried
that said wherever she went.

110
00:05:11,960 --> 00:05:16,790
And then when my mother
died in '81, I had it.

111
00:05:16,790 --> 00:05:18,980
So we had all the papers.

112
00:05:18,980 --> 00:05:22,640
And then the city had my
father's name and everything.

113
00:05:22,640 --> 00:05:28,930
So-- and we sold it to the
people who want to buy it.

114
00:05:28,930 --> 00:05:35,410
But we didn't had all these
difficulties, because you see--

115
00:05:35,410 --> 00:05:38,770
and for God's sake, Frankfurt
was very destroyed, too.

116
00:05:38,770 --> 00:05:41,810
But the registry was intact.

117
00:05:41,810 --> 00:05:44,870
You know, because if this
would all have been gone,

118
00:05:44,870 --> 00:05:47,390
then it would have
been very difficult.

119
00:05:47,390 --> 00:05:48,950
But this was all there.

120
00:05:48,950 --> 00:05:51,480
And you know, you
could trace it.

121
00:05:51,480 --> 00:05:55,040
And so my sister and
I got the house back,

122
00:05:55,040 --> 00:05:56,930
and then we sold it.

123
00:05:56,930 --> 00:05:59,160
My sister wanted to move back.

124
00:05:59,160 --> 00:06:01,716
And I said no deal.

125
00:06:01,716 --> 00:06:04,350
[CHUCKLING]

126
00:06:04,350 --> 00:06:04,880
And so on.

127
00:06:04,880 --> 00:06:06,620
And so we didn't.

128
00:06:06,620 --> 00:06:08,360
But we got it back, yes.

129
00:06:08,360 --> 00:06:12,150
And we sold it to the
people who had it.

130
00:06:12,150 --> 00:06:14,990
So my mother, really,
went she went in '45

131
00:06:14,990 --> 00:06:17,480
and she walked to
Frankfurt Oder.

132

00:06:17,480 --> 00:06:20,450

She wanted to make sure that
the house was still there,

133

00:06:20,450 --> 00:06:24,810

and she wanted to make sure
that they know where she is.

134

00:06:24,810 --> 00:06:29,470

So if Vati would come,
he would find us.

135

00:06:29,470 --> 00:06:33,450

So when did you finally
realize that he was not

136

00:06:33,450 --> 00:06:35,680

going to come back?

137

00:06:35,680 --> 00:06:36,370

Pretty soon.

138

00:06:36,370 --> 00:06:39,205

Pretty soon.

139

00:06:39,205 --> 00:06:43,624

Pretty soon, pretty soon.

140

00:06:43,624 --> 00:06:44,610

Yeah.

141

00:06:44,610 --> 00:06:46,600

You stayed in Berlin?

142

00:06:46,600 --> 00:06:47,100

Yes.

143

00:06:47,100 --> 00:06:48,700

With your sister
and your mother.

144

00:06:48,700 --> 00:06:49,210

Yes.

145

00:06:49,210 --> 00:06:52,750

And what did you do then,
when the war was over?

146

00:06:52,750 --> 00:06:54,640

When the war was
over, I tried to get

147

00:06:54,640 --> 00:06:57,860

my Abiturium, which was awful.

148

00:06:57,860 --> 00:07:01,780

And I went to a
school which was--

149

00:07:01,780 --> 00:07:05,320

we were all Jewish or
half-Jewish kids who

150

00:07:05,320 --> 00:07:08,020

wanted to finish high school.

151

00:07:08,020 --> 00:07:13,100

And anytime there was
exam, we all blanked out.

152

00:07:13,100 --> 00:07:14,990

It was awful.

153

00:07:14,990 --> 00:07:16,730

We just couldn't function.

154

00:07:16,730 --> 00:07:21,000

And nobody ever thought
that we need any help.

155

00:07:21,000 --> 00:07:23,690

One person one time
said to me, you

156

00:07:23,690 --> 00:07:27,530

know, you are like somebody
who walks along a corridor

157

00:07:27,530 --> 00:07:32,150

and sees an open door and runs
in, in this open door and says,

158

00:07:32,150 --> 00:07:32,870

oh, no.

159

00:07:32,870 --> 00:07:34,160

I don't want to be here.

160

00:07:34,160 --> 00:07:35,540

And then she keeps on running.

161

00:07:35,540 --> 00:07:42,220

Next open door-- and you know,
but it never occurred to them

162

00:07:42,220 --> 00:07:43,910

that I really--
number one, I didn't

163

00:07:43,910 --> 00:07:45,290

know what I wanted to do.

164

00:07:45,290 --> 00:07:47,180

I never knew what--

165

00:07:47,180 --> 00:07:52,520

You know, I mean, it was
OK, though it was over.

166

00:07:52,520 --> 00:07:54,070

They said, OK, fine, it's over.

167

00:07:54,070 --> 00:07:56,990

Now you start your life again.

168

00:07:56,990 --> 00:07:57,790
But how?

169
00:07:57,790 --> 00:08:00,240
How?

170
00:08:00,240 --> 00:08:01,080
You know?

171
00:08:01,080 --> 00:08:02,280
So--

172
00:08:02,280 --> 00:08:05,760
Did you talk about
your experiences

173
00:08:05,760 --> 00:08:07,260
with the other students?

174
00:08:07,260 --> 00:08:08,240
No, no.

175
00:08:08,240 --> 00:08:09,460
Did you all exchange?

176
00:08:09,460 --> 00:08:11,675
No, nobody of us talked.

177
00:08:11,675 --> 00:08:12,300
We didn't talk.

178
00:08:12,300 --> 00:08:13,092
Between each other?

179
00:08:13,092 --> 00:08:15,770
No, we didn't talk.

180
00:08:15,770 --> 00:08:17,477
We didn't talk.

181
00:08:17,477 --> 00:08:18,560

Because you were all numb.

182
00:08:18,560 --> 00:08:20,570
We were all numb.

183
00:08:20,570 --> 00:08:21,500
Numb, yeah.

184
00:08:21,500 --> 00:08:24,590
I mean, sometimes someone said something, and you realized,

185
00:08:24,590 --> 00:08:27,990
you know, they were in hiding and so on.

186
00:08:27,990 --> 00:08:34,110
Most of them were kids who had been in hiding, and so on.

187
00:08:34,110 --> 00:08:39,110
But no, we just-- we just blanked out, you know?

188
00:08:39,110 --> 00:08:41,179
My sister was a little bit more lucky.

189
00:08:41,179 --> 00:08:45,110
She had her abiturium, so she could go to the university.

190
00:08:45,110 --> 00:08:47,620

191
00:08:47,620 --> 00:08:53,490
But I had-- it was very difficult to get back

192
00:08:53,490 --> 00:08:55,320
to a normal life.

193

00:08:55,320 --> 00:08:57,390

And it kept on--

194

00:08:57,390 --> 00:09:04,460

you know-- and you
felt somewhere-- then

195

00:09:04,460 --> 00:09:07,190

you felt maybe more an
outcast than before.

196

00:09:07,190 --> 00:09:10,700

Because before you were so busy
trying to survive all that,

197

00:09:10,700 --> 00:09:13,770

that you couldn't even
think about anything.

198

00:09:13,770 --> 00:09:18,530

And then suddenly
life was supposed

199

00:09:18,530 --> 00:09:20,630

to be more normal again.

200

00:09:20,630 --> 00:09:23,690

And as I said, my mother
got us an apartment.

201

00:09:23,690 --> 00:09:26,240

202

00:09:26,240 --> 00:09:28,280

But then you were
in danger again.

203

00:09:28,280 --> 00:09:33,030

You know, because I couldn't--
my sister registered with

204

00:09:33,030 --> 00:09:34,370

the IRO.

205

00:09:34,370 --> 00:09:38,240

You know, with the International Relief Organization.

206

00:09:38,240 --> 00:09:41,240

And she came over with a coal boat.

207

00:09:41,240 --> 00:09:43,580

You know, one of those boats which brought coal

208

00:09:43,580 --> 00:09:45,750

over and went back empty.

209

00:09:45,750 --> 00:09:51,170

But I was-- she then had a temporary visa for West Berlin.

210

00:09:51,170 --> 00:09:56,180

Because in '48, they opened the Free University in West Berlin.

211

00:09:56,180 --> 00:09:57,740

And my sister was in the--

212

00:09:57,740 --> 00:10:00,620

East Germany had only one university

213

00:10:00,620 --> 00:10:03,440

in Berlin, the Humboldt University,

214

00:10:03,440 --> 00:10:05,390

which was in East Berlin.

215

00:10:05,390 --> 00:10:08,240

And so she could go to West Berlin.

216

00:10:08,240 --> 00:10:10,880
And she got a temporary visa.

217
00:10:10,880 --> 00:10:14,450
And on this she registered
and could get out.

218
00:10:14,450 --> 00:10:16,430
But I was in East Berlin.

219
00:10:16,430 --> 00:10:19,250
And any time you
registered with the IRO

220
00:10:19,250 --> 00:10:22,460
and were in East
Berlin, the Russians

221
00:10:22,460 --> 00:10:26,760
would arrest you as a spy.

222
00:10:26,760 --> 00:10:27,990
So you couldn't do that.

223
00:10:27,990 --> 00:10:30,660

224
00:10:30,660 --> 00:10:31,765
So--

225
00:10:31,765 --> 00:10:32,890
Let's go back a little bit.

226
00:10:32,890 --> 00:10:36,670
When you the coal boat,
the boat going from?

227
00:10:36,670 --> 00:10:39,400
Oh, there were the
boats after the war,

228
00:10:39,400 --> 00:10:40,460

which came from America.

229

00:10:40,460 --> 00:10:42,610

They had coal in and so on.

230

00:10:42,610 --> 00:10:46,180

They brought it to West
Germany for these people.

231

00:10:46,180 --> 00:10:48,700

I guess it was part
of the Marshall Plan.

232

00:10:48,700 --> 00:10:50,680

And then they went
empty back, and they

233

00:10:50,680 --> 00:10:52,780

had refugees on going back.

234

00:10:52,780 --> 00:10:53,340

I see.

235

00:10:53,340 --> 00:10:53,840

I see.

236

00:10:53,840 --> 00:10:55,540

So she went--

237

00:10:55,540 --> 00:10:59,800

She went at first to the Freie
University, the Free University

238

00:10:59,800 --> 00:11:01,120

in West Berlin.

239

00:11:01,120 --> 00:11:02,290

Yeah.

240

00:11:02,290 --> 00:11:05,420

And she studied
there, and then came--

241
00:11:05,420 --> 00:11:07,150
her major was history.

242
00:11:07,150 --> 00:11:10,450
And there came a professor
from the United States,

243
00:11:10,450 --> 00:11:13,360
who was a German Jewish
immigrant originally.

244
00:11:13,360 --> 00:11:16,270
But he was, in the meantime,
an American citizen

245
00:11:16,270 --> 00:11:18,220
and a professor of history.

246
00:11:18,220 --> 00:11:19,670
And he talked to my sister.

247
00:11:19,670 --> 00:11:22,640
And he said, I get you
got a scholarship to--

248
00:11:22,640 --> 00:11:24,040
An American college.

249
00:11:24,040 --> 00:11:25,600
Yeah, so he did.

250
00:11:25,600 --> 00:11:27,700
So she went to Sweet Briar.

251
00:11:27,700 --> 00:11:29,620
So she was able to get out.

252
00:11:29,620 --> 00:11:30,120
Mm-hmm.

253

00:11:30,120 --> 00:11:31,537
And she came to
the United States.

254
00:11:31,537 --> 00:11:32,980
And she had no sponsor.

255
00:11:32,980 --> 00:11:35,515
My sister had a sponsor,
the world [? churches ?]

256
00:11:35,515 --> 00:11:37,710
were her sponsor.

257
00:11:37,710 --> 00:11:42,630
So IRO got her a sponsor,
which was very impersonal.

258
00:11:42,630 --> 00:11:44,230
And this was in '48?

259
00:11:44,230 --> 00:11:47,110
No, my sister-- no.

260
00:11:47,110 --> 00:11:49,420
That was for between--

261
00:11:49,420 --> 00:11:52,870
really, between '49 and '50.

262
00:11:52,870 --> 00:11:53,870
That's all.

263
00:11:53,870 --> 00:11:54,520
Yeah.

264
00:11:54,520 --> 00:11:56,170
And you said goodbye.

265
00:11:56,170 --> 00:11:57,310
Oh, yeah.

266

00:11:57,310 --> 00:11:59,130

I said goodbye to the--

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00:11:59,130 --> 00:12:03,260

when my Jewish relatives went
to the concentration camp,

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00:12:03,260 --> 00:12:05,140

I went and said goodbye.

269

00:12:05,140 --> 00:12:06,670

We always knew.

270

00:12:06,670 --> 00:12:08,620

I had all my aunts.

271

00:12:08,620 --> 00:12:11,620

I went-- they had the papers.

272

00:12:11,620 --> 00:12:13,680

I know where they're
going, and I went there

273

00:12:13,680 --> 00:12:14,970

and I said goodbye.

274

00:12:14,970 --> 00:12:17,710

And I always knew I
wouldn't see them again.

275

00:12:17,710 --> 00:12:21,240

How do you say goodbye
in such a situation?

276

00:12:21,240 --> 00:12:24,830

It was very-- it was very
difficult, because one

277

00:12:24,830 --> 00:12:28,190

of my aunts said
to me, "you know,

278

00:12:28,190 --> 00:12:32,180

I'm going to go to
the concentration camp

279

00:12:32,180 --> 00:12:33,980

because I'm Jewish.

280

00:12:33,980 --> 00:12:36,080

I don't know why I go there.

281

00:12:36,080 --> 00:12:38,540

Because I don't
believe in anything.

282

00:12:38,540 --> 00:12:41,630

I never go to the
synagogue or anything.

283

00:12:41,630 --> 00:12:43,250

But I'm Jewish."

284

00:12:43,250 --> 00:12:46,670

And I felt so bad for her.

285

00:12:46,670 --> 00:12:50,120

Because I thought, if
she would believe in it--

286

00:12:50,120 --> 00:12:52,880

and during the camps,
the Orthodox Jews

287

00:12:52,880 --> 00:12:55,750

were off the best,
because they had a faith

288

00:12:55,750 --> 00:12:57,590

to set against that horror.

289

00:12:57,590 --> 00:13:02,060

But people like her,
they died off very fast,

290
00:13:02,060 --> 00:13:05,640
because they had nothing
to set against it.

291
00:13:05,640 --> 00:13:10,060
And I said to so many of
them, we said goodbye.

292
00:13:10,060 --> 00:13:11,880
You always knew when they went--

293
00:13:11,880 --> 00:13:14,830
we had a young--

294
00:13:14,830 --> 00:13:17,520
one of the cousins,
and they had--

295
00:13:17,520 --> 00:13:19,166
and they had gotten the baby--

296
00:13:19,166 --> 00:13:20,815
[PHONE RINGING]

297
00:13:20,815 --> 00:13:26,520

298
00:13:26,520 --> 00:13:29,730
I can take it off the hook.

299
00:13:29,730 --> 00:13:32,050
They were-- you know,
they all knew that they

300
00:13:32,050 --> 00:13:34,650
go to the concentration camp.

301
00:13:34,650 --> 00:13:44,410
But they couldn't-- and many
of my relatives were really

302
00:13:44,410 --> 00:13:45,720
in Posen.

303
00:13:45,720 --> 00:13:50,730
You know, Poland was partly
German, partly Austrian,

304
00:13:50,730 --> 00:13:51,965
and partly Hungary--

305
00:13:51,965 --> 00:13:53,130
partly Russian.

306
00:13:53,130 --> 00:13:56,340
And after the war,
Poland was united again.

307
00:13:56,340 --> 00:13:59,070
And my relatives lived in
the German-- many of them

308
00:13:59,070 --> 00:14:02,160
in German part, which
was then Poland.

309
00:14:02,160 --> 00:14:04,470
After World War I,
they could either

310
00:14:04,470 --> 00:14:09,300
opt for Poland or for Germany,
and they opted for Germany.

311
00:14:09,300 --> 00:14:10,660
And then they were shipped back.

312
00:14:10,660 --> 00:14:15,010

313
00:14:15,010 --> 00:14:18,910
But they-- somewhere
we all knew that--

314
00:14:18,910 --> 00:14:20,740
and they knew about--

315
00:14:20,740 --> 00:14:23,590
they didn't think that
they're going to leave

316
00:14:23,590 --> 00:14:25,510
a camp or anything like that.

317
00:14:25,510 --> 00:14:27,130
They all knew that--

318
00:14:27,130 --> 00:14:31,290
at least my relatives all
knew that was the end.

319
00:14:31,290 --> 00:14:34,840
Yeah, and that young family, you
know, who had that little boy,

320
00:14:34,840 --> 00:14:39,700
Berl, and he was supposed to
be born in the United States,

321
00:14:39,700 --> 00:14:41,740
except they didn't get in.

322
00:14:41,740 --> 00:14:44,230
So he went.

323
00:14:44,230 --> 00:14:48,460
You said that you had known
even in '42 about the camps.

324
00:14:48,460 --> 00:14:50,000
Sure.

325
00:14:50,000 --> 00:14:55,610
When did you learn the
real extent of the camps?

326
00:14:55,610 --> 00:14:59,030
Oh, naja, this, I guess
we knew about the camp.

327
00:14:59,030 --> 00:15:02,630
My father knew about that
camp, and he told us about it.

328
00:15:02,630 --> 00:15:12,360
And I had-- but
the extent of the--

329
00:15:12,360 --> 00:15:18,100
I guess we only learned,
really, after the war how ma--

330
00:15:18,100 --> 00:15:20,040
but we knew that
they had chambers,

331
00:15:20,040 --> 00:15:23,100
that they died and so on.

332
00:15:23,100 --> 00:15:33,390
And we knew that people
didn't had a chance

333
00:15:33,390 --> 00:15:37,440
to come back, except very few.

334
00:15:37,440 --> 00:15:40,360
Some way through the
grapevines, you know?

335
00:15:40,360 --> 00:15:46,030
There were always some people
who got news out of it.

336
00:15:46,030 --> 00:15:50,080
You know, like this one train
which went into Auschwitz.

337

00:15:50,080 --> 00:15:55,120

338

00:15:55,120 --> 00:15:58,270

One time the Swedish
Red Cross came in,

339

00:15:58,270 --> 00:16:04,780

and they said they put linen
on the beds and everything,

340

00:16:04,780 --> 00:16:07,030

in order to make it look good.

341

00:16:07,030 --> 00:16:11,330

And then they said there will
be a train going to Switzerland

342

00:16:11,330 --> 00:16:13,750

the next morning,
and hardly anybody

343

00:16:13,750 --> 00:16:16,660

went because nobody believed it.

344

00:16:16,660 --> 00:16:18,070

But one of the German--

345

00:16:18,070 --> 00:16:21,140

Frankfurt Oder Jews did.

346

00:16:21,140 --> 00:16:21,812

And it went.

347

00:16:21,812 --> 00:16:24,704

348

00:16:24,704 --> 00:16:30,620

The Germans, in some ways,
sometimes you had a chance.

349

00:16:30,620 --> 00:16:34,870

350

00:16:34,870 --> 00:16:38,080

And that train
went almost empty.

351

00:16:38,080 --> 00:16:39,700

Because people were afraid.

352

00:16:39,700 --> 00:16:40,990

They said that's a trap.

353

00:16:40,990 --> 00:16:44,430

354

00:16:44,430 --> 00:16:47,870

But then these people talked.

355

00:16:47,870 --> 00:16:49,950

So you heard things.

356

00:16:49,950 --> 00:16:51,800

And so you knew.

357

00:16:51,800 --> 00:16:54,920

I mean, we didn't know
how many camps were there.

358

00:16:54,920 --> 00:16:59,930

I mean, the number of
camps, this we didn't know.

359

00:16:59,930 --> 00:17:10,140

And we didn't know the extent
of how many people really were--

360

00:17:10,140 --> 00:17:15,810

I mean, how really is
the capacity was of this.

361

00:17:15,810 --> 00:17:18,780

But you know, there
is a place where--

362
00:17:18,780 --> 00:17:22,700
there were certain places
already within in Germany,

363
00:17:22,700 --> 00:17:24,780
where they tried out
some of these things

364
00:17:24,780 --> 00:17:27,663
on the mentally retarded.

365
00:17:27,663 --> 00:17:29,110
Right.

366
00:17:29,110 --> 00:17:32,160
And so then the medical
profession somewhere

367
00:17:32,160 --> 00:17:35,330
heard about it and so on.

368
00:17:35,330 --> 00:17:39,720
So I think something
to that extent,

369
00:17:39,720 --> 00:17:43,650
it was very difficult to
keep it completely secret.

370
00:17:43,650 --> 00:17:46,650
I never quite understand
how people can

371
00:17:46,650 --> 00:17:49,770
say they never knew about it.

372
00:17:49,770 --> 00:17:52,620
I mean, didn't they see
the carts coming in?

373

00:17:52,620 --> 00:17:57,060

And didn't they smell
all this and so on?

374

00:17:57,060 --> 00:18:02,820

But the trouble is that
Hitler got in power

375

00:18:02,820 --> 00:18:05,250

when the Depression was.

376

00:18:05,250 --> 00:18:08,400

And people were out of work,
and he promised them work,

377

00:18:08,400 --> 00:18:10,870

and he built factory,
prepared for the war.

378

00:18:10,870 --> 00:18:15,150

And he built the Autobahn and
all this, and people had money.

379

00:18:15,150 --> 00:18:16,770

Suddenly had money.

380

00:18:16,770 --> 00:18:20,790

And by the time they realized
politically wasn't everything

381

00:18:20,790 --> 00:18:23,130

that great, they were trapped.

382

00:18:23,130 --> 00:18:28,360

That's one reason I'm some way
afraid of this country here.

383

00:18:28,360 --> 00:18:29,580

That's the way how it goes.

384

00:18:29,580 --> 00:18:34,420

How bad can it get so many

people to come to these things.

385
00:18:34,420 --> 00:18:37,890
But so it was a bad time.

386
00:18:37,890 --> 00:18:41,940
And then there was
so many people who

387
00:18:41,940 --> 00:18:45,090
really didn't know any Jews.

388
00:18:45,090 --> 00:18:51,360
So Hitler, when they
talked about them,

389
00:18:51,360 --> 00:18:53,130
some people will
believe anything which

390
00:18:53,130 --> 00:18:54,300
is written black and white.

391
00:18:54,300 --> 00:19:00,290

392
00:19:00,290 --> 00:19:10,070
So it's very difficult. And
I mean, there was a curfew

393
00:19:10,070 --> 00:19:14,330
after the 20th of July.

394
00:19:14,330 --> 00:19:17,050
You know, when they tried
to kill Hitler, Stauffenberg

395
00:19:17,050 --> 00:19:18,980
and these people.

396
00:19:18,980 --> 00:19:21,110
There was a curfew.

397
00:19:21,110 --> 00:19:24,780
You know, you could
see there were before--

398
00:19:24,780 --> 00:19:29,270
when the Jews, still before they
were all more or less disposed

399
00:19:29,270 --> 00:19:36,040
of, there were signs on parks,
"No Jews allowed" and so on.

400
00:19:36,040 --> 00:19:38,120
So it was very obvious.

401
00:19:38,120 --> 00:19:39,830
And people can read.

402
00:19:39,830 --> 00:19:41,630
All the Germans could read.

403
00:19:41,630 --> 00:19:45,650
There were no people
who couldn't read.

404
00:19:45,650 --> 00:19:52,840
But I guess many of them--
and some of the people

405
00:19:52,840 --> 00:19:55,370
who were very daring, and
nothing happened to them.

406
00:19:55,370 --> 00:19:57,960
We had a high school
teacher who taught

407
00:19:57,960 --> 00:20:00,750
us maths and physics and so on.

408
00:20:00,750 --> 00:20:04,260

And he was one of these
golden Partei members.

409
00:20:04,260 --> 00:20:07,100
You know, people who
joined before '33.

410
00:20:07,100 --> 00:20:10,440
They had a golden rim
around their party member--

411
00:20:10,440 --> 00:20:13,170
party thing.

412
00:20:13,170 --> 00:20:19,600
And they [INAUDIBLE] and so on,
and were enthusiastic about it.

413
00:20:19,600 --> 00:20:27,730
And then he sent in '38 or
'39 or something around there,

414
00:20:27,730 --> 00:20:30,190
he sent his membership back.

415
00:20:30,190 --> 00:20:34,790
And he said, that's
not the party I joined.

416
00:20:34,790 --> 00:20:37,070
He always kept on teaching.

417
00:20:37,070 --> 00:20:38,300
Nothing happened to him.

418
00:20:38,300 --> 00:20:39,500
Absolutely nothing.

419
00:20:39,500 --> 00:20:44,340

420
00:20:44,340 --> 00:20:48,210

So some people, though, it was--

421

00:20:48,210 --> 00:20:52,700
there were always some people
had a loophole or something,

422

00:20:52,700 --> 00:20:55,460
they got through.

423

00:20:55,460 --> 00:20:57,600
The majority of my
high school teachers

424

00:20:57,600 --> 00:20:58,680
were not party members.

425

00:20:58,680 --> 00:21:03,100

426

00:21:03,100 --> 00:21:05,710
But I guess they didn't
have enough teachers there

427

00:21:05,710 --> 00:21:06,840
to keep them.

428

00:21:06,840 --> 00:21:08,160
[INAUDIBLE]

429

00:21:08,160 --> 00:21:08,660
Yeah.

430

00:21:08,660 --> 00:21:14,620

431

00:21:14,620 --> 00:21:17,460
When they kicked
me out of school

432

00:21:17,460 --> 00:21:21,090
and I was walking the street
in Frankfurt Oder, one

433
00:21:21,090 --> 00:21:25,830
of my former classmates,
which was really 100--

434
00:21:25,830 --> 00:21:29,340
300% Nazi, and so
was her whole family,

435
00:21:29,340 --> 00:21:32,160
she stopped me in the street.

436
00:21:32,160 --> 00:21:36,998
And she said, I'm sorry
that they kicked you out.

437
00:21:36,998 --> 00:21:38,140
I said, oh.

438
00:21:38,140 --> 00:21:42,070

439
00:21:42,070 --> 00:21:45,360
I guess for her, I was
just another classmate.

440
00:21:45,360 --> 00:21:48,360

441
00:21:48,360 --> 00:21:53,180
What's it like to
feel to be an outcast?

442
00:21:53,180 --> 00:21:54,010
It feels awful.

443
00:21:54,010 --> 00:21:55,070
When I was standing--

444
00:21:55,070 --> 00:21:59,090
I remember that one time
when Hitler's birthday was,

445
00:21:59,090 --> 00:22:04,000
and everybody came in uniform,
Hitler Youth uniform--

446
00:22:04,000 --> 00:22:05,240
everybody.

447
00:22:05,240 --> 00:22:07,190
So being a member
of the Hitler Youth,

448
00:22:07,190 --> 00:22:09,650
that didn't really mean
that you were a Nazi.

449
00:22:09,650 --> 00:22:11,020
They were all members.

450
00:22:11,020 --> 00:22:17,580
And I was there private.

451
00:22:17,580 --> 00:22:20,180
It's an awful feeling.

452
00:22:20,180 --> 00:22:21,730
I always thought,
you know, I would

453
00:22:21,730 --> 00:22:25,490
feel like I'm the only
Black in a white school.

454
00:22:25,490 --> 00:22:28,300

455
00:22:28,300 --> 00:22:34,850
And nobody harassed me or
anything, but I came home.

456
00:22:34,850 --> 00:22:38,810
And I said Mommy, next

time I'm not going.

457

00:22:38,810 --> 00:22:41,950

So then I started, when
anything like this was going on,

458

00:22:41,950 --> 00:22:44,138

I didn't go.

459

00:22:44,138 --> 00:22:45,055

Did you feel inferior?

460

00:22:45,055 --> 00:22:49,100

461

00:22:49,100 --> 00:22:51,080

Or just angry?

462

00:22:51,080 --> 00:22:55,180

I was afraid more than
I was feeling inferior.

463

00:22:55,180 --> 00:22:58,250

464

00:22:58,250 --> 00:23:03,420

Maybe-- a certain extent, yes.

465

00:23:03,420 --> 00:23:06,380

Because when I went to--

466

00:23:06,380 --> 00:23:09,360

when I went to physical
therapy school, you know,

467

00:23:09,360 --> 00:23:12,300

before I immigrate to the
United States, I became--

468

00:23:12,300 --> 00:23:14,640

I went to the
University of Frankfurt

469
00:23:14,640 --> 00:23:16,860
and became a physical therapist.

470
00:23:16,860 --> 00:23:19,240
And one of the things
I said to myself,

471
00:23:19,240 --> 00:23:24,540
I want that the people
need me, that they want me.

472
00:23:24,540 --> 00:23:28,530
Because before nobody
needed me, nobody wanted me.

473
00:23:28,530 --> 00:23:31,200
I also went then back
to the university,

474
00:23:31,200 --> 00:23:35,220
to American U and Catholic U,
and I got two master's degrees,

475
00:23:35,220 --> 00:23:38,760
and I was a straight A
student, and I got a summa cum

476
00:23:38,760 --> 00:23:40,710
laude and so on.

477
00:23:40,710 --> 00:23:43,710
And people say, oh,
you were so ambitious.

478
00:23:43,710 --> 00:23:48,930
I said, no, but I had to
prove to myself I can do it.

479
00:23:48,930 --> 00:23:50,360
That you're not an outcast.

480

00:23:50,360 --> 00:23:52,250
Yeah, that I can do it.

481
00:23:52,250 --> 00:23:54,150
You know?

482
00:23:54,150 --> 00:23:58,980
So in some ways, this all
stuck to me all the time, yes.

483
00:23:58,980 --> 00:24:01,640
Yeah.

484
00:24:01,640 --> 00:24:03,760
Let's get back just a
little bit to the post-war.

485
00:24:03,760 --> 00:24:06,730
So your sister left.

486
00:24:06,730 --> 00:24:12,060
You stayed with your
mother in Berlin.

487
00:24:12,060 --> 00:24:14,686
Naja, I went illegally
to West Germany.

488
00:24:14,686 --> 00:24:15,440
Yeah.

489
00:24:15,440 --> 00:24:16,230
Illegally?

490
00:24:16,230 --> 00:24:16,730
Oh, yeah.

491
00:24:16,730 --> 00:24:17,300
Sure.

492
00:24:17,300 --> 00:24:18,800
I danced.

493
00:24:18,800 --> 00:24:22,280
I took-- I went to
ballet school in Berlin.

494
00:24:22,280 --> 00:24:23,290
This was my big--

495
00:24:23,290 --> 00:24:25,910
I danced.

496
00:24:25,910 --> 00:24:29,180
I danced when I was
in Frankfurt Oder,

497
00:24:29,180 --> 00:24:32,780
and I was on the stage
at the Stadttheater.

498
00:24:32,780 --> 00:24:34,530
And then they kicked
me-- they told me

499
00:24:34,530 --> 00:24:35,660
you couldn't come anymore.

500
00:24:35,660 --> 00:24:38,590
You are half-Jewish.

501
00:24:38,590 --> 00:24:40,540
And that was very hard.

502
00:24:40,540 --> 00:24:42,940
That was more difficult
for me, really,

503
00:24:42,940 --> 00:24:44,700
than to be kicked out of school.

504
00:24:44,700 --> 00:24:47,430
Because I love dancing.

505

00:24:47,430 --> 00:24:51,180

So then in '45, I went
back to ballet school,

506

00:24:51,180 --> 00:24:54,760

and I wanted to become
a professional dancer.

507

00:24:54,760 --> 00:24:59,640

And so I joined a
group, and we traveled--

508

00:24:59,640 --> 00:25:02,790

and this was-- you know, at
this point there was no wall,

509

00:25:02,790 --> 00:25:05,970

so you could go very easy from
East Berlin to West Berlin

510

00:25:05,970 --> 00:25:07,710

and so on.

511

00:25:07,710 --> 00:25:11,130

And so then we went
to West Germany.

512

00:25:11,130 --> 00:25:13,890

And every time I had to
go to the police station

513

00:25:13,890 --> 00:25:16,710

and they put on that
I was illegally there.

514

00:25:16,710 --> 00:25:20,260

515

00:25:20,260 --> 00:25:25,410

So but there was in Hamburg
a woman who took pity on me,

516

00:25:25,410 --> 00:25:29,790
and she was in this office
where they give you housing.

517
00:25:29,790 --> 00:25:32,110
Because you know, the
cities were destroyed,

518
00:25:32,110 --> 00:25:36,270
so first you had to wait
until you got something.

519
00:25:36,270 --> 00:25:37,750
And so she said, all right.

520
00:25:37,750 --> 00:25:39,280
She said, keep in touch.

521
00:25:39,280 --> 00:25:41,460
Send me sometimes a postcard.

522
00:25:41,460 --> 00:25:43,170
So I sent her a postcard.

523
00:25:43,170 --> 00:25:44,940
And one time I was
in Goettingen, which

524
00:25:44,940 --> 00:25:46,920
isn't too far from Hamburg.

525
00:25:46,920 --> 00:25:52,810
And I got a postcard, "come to
Hamburg as soon as you can."

526
00:25:52,810 --> 00:25:53,980
I said OK.

527
00:25:53,980 --> 00:25:56,290
So I took the train
and went to Hamburg.

528

00:25:56,290 --> 00:25:57,450
I only went in--

529
00:25:57,450 --> 00:26:00,400
and you were so trained in those
things, you didn't say "boo."

530
00:26:00,400 --> 00:26:02,860
And I only said, "hello."

531
00:26:02,860 --> 00:26:04,390
And she said, oh,
I'm so glad you

532
00:26:04,390 --> 00:26:07,570
came, because it's no
good to walk around

533
00:26:07,570 --> 00:26:11,990
without the identification card.

534
00:26:11,990 --> 00:26:14,200
I said, mm-hmm.

535
00:26:14,200 --> 00:26:16,140
And then she gave
me a form, and she

536
00:26:16,140 --> 00:26:19,695
knew where I were, you
know that I had this East

537
00:26:19,695 --> 00:26:21,170
German card in my pocket.

538
00:26:21,170 --> 00:26:25,530
And in this format, that I
lost my identification card.

539
00:26:25,530 --> 00:26:28,850
It was not written if
it was East or West.

540

00:26:28,850 --> 00:26:30,190

So I got the best German card.

541

00:26:30,190 --> 00:26:33,210

542

00:26:33,210 --> 00:26:38,980

And on this, then, I could
register to immigrate.

543

00:26:38,980 --> 00:26:43,300

Because then I was
legally in West Germany.

544

00:26:43,300 --> 00:26:46,270

I was always a little bit
of afraid then when I--

545

00:26:46,270 --> 00:26:49,300

and one of my uncles in
New York sponsored me.

546

00:26:49,300 --> 00:26:53,650

But I was a little
bit afraid when I then

547

00:26:53,650 --> 00:26:57,430

registered, when the
Americans would find out

548

00:26:57,430 --> 00:27:03,580

that I'm not really,
really in West Germany.

549

00:27:03,580 --> 00:27:06,340

Or they didn't care, whatever.

550

00:27:06,340 --> 00:27:11,380

But then, you see, I was
legally in West Germany.

551

00:27:11,380 --> 00:27:14,320

And then my sister
was already here,

552
00:27:14,320 --> 00:27:18,190
and she had switched from
history to sociology.

553
00:27:18,190 --> 00:27:22,180
So she became a psychotherapist.

554
00:27:22,180 --> 00:27:24,220
And she said, you
know you always

555
00:27:24,220 --> 00:27:26,650
liked dancing and gymnastics.

556
00:27:26,650 --> 00:27:29,290
Why don't you become
a physical therapist?

557
00:27:29,290 --> 00:27:32,170
That's very much needed
in the United States.

558
00:27:32,170 --> 00:27:37,180
And you see we got restitution
from the government.

559
00:27:37,180 --> 00:27:39,130
And so I did.

560
00:27:39,130 --> 00:27:41,380
And then so I did,
and that's the reason

561
00:27:41,380 --> 00:27:43,840
I didn't come until '56.

562
00:27:43,840 --> 00:27:47,170
Because I went there
first and got my degree.

563

00:27:47,170 --> 00:27:49,330

And then I worked
one year, because it

564

00:27:49,330 --> 00:27:52,138

takes some time before you
get all the immigration going.

565

00:27:52,138 --> 00:27:53,680

And you were living
with your mother?

566

00:27:53,680 --> 00:27:54,220

No, no, no.

567

00:27:54,220 --> 00:27:56,670

I was living in Frankfurt Main.

568

00:27:56,670 --> 00:27:58,150

I was in West Germany.

569

00:27:58,150 --> 00:27:59,470

My mother was in Berlin.

570

00:27:59,470 --> 00:28:00,512

And she stayed in Berlin.

571

00:28:00,512 --> 00:28:02,980

And she was still in
East Berlin at first.

572

00:28:02,980 --> 00:28:07,340

And then she got a card
from the post office.

573

00:28:07,340 --> 00:28:07,840

Oh, no.

574

00:28:07,840 --> 00:28:12,460

She was already then also
in West Berlin without me.

575

00:28:12,460 --> 00:28:13,780

She left that apartment.

576

00:28:13,780 --> 00:28:16,000

Just locked it up and was gone.

577

00:28:16,000 --> 00:28:21,460

And then she got a card, which
said that she and I should

578

00:28:21,460 --> 00:28:22,860

come to the post office.

579

00:28:22,860 --> 00:28:24,820

There is a letter
which is registered.

580

00:28:24,820 --> 00:28:26,800

We should pick it up.

581

00:28:26,800 --> 00:28:29,440

We never went there.

582

00:28:29,440 --> 00:28:34,492

Because the East Germans
were as bad as the Gestapo.

583

00:28:34,492 --> 00:28:38,030

And so we never went there.

584

00:28:38,030 --> 00:28:40,160

But then my mother
was in West Berlin,

585

00:28:40,160 --> 00:28:44,850

and she got herself
an apartment there.

586

00:28:44,850 --> 00:28:47,870

And then when the
wall came, then

587

00:28:47,870 --> 00:28:50,250

she went to Hanover,
because she was afraid

588

00:28:50,250 --> 00:28:55,730

that they would cut us off, cut
her off from my sister and me.

589

00:28:55,730 --> 00:28:58,030

And then how did you come
to the United States?

590

00:28:58,030 --> 00:29:00,890

Naja, then I've had the
physical therapy degree.

591

00:29:00,890 --> 00:29:02,500

And you worked for the year.

592

00:29:02,500 --> 00:29:04,450

And I worked there,
and then I registered.

593

00:29:04,450 --> 00:29:06,860

You know, I put
in an application.

594

00:29:06,860 --> 00:29:11,200

And one of the cousins
of my father, Uncle Hans,

595

00:29:11,200 --> 00:29:12,185

he sponsored me.

596

00:29:12,185 --> 00:29:13,210

He sponsored you.

597

00:29:13,210 --> 00:29:15,220

Because my sister
couldn't sponsor me,

598

00:29:15,220 --> 00:29:18,110

because she was just in
graduate school then.

599
00:29:18,110 --> 00:29:19,810
And so she didn't
have enough money.

600
00:29:19,810 --> 00:29:25,660
You had to put down
\$5,000 in order to--

601
00:29:25,660 --> 00:29:31,210
so Uncle Hans sponsored me,
and then I came over here.

602
00:29:31,210 --> 00:29:34,830
And then I stayed in
Alexandria with my sister here.

603
00:29:34,830 --> 00:29:37,360
And what did-- and your
mother stayed back in--

604
00:29:37,360 --> 00:29:39,850
She stayed back in Frank--

605
00:29:39,850 --> 00:29:41,500
in Germany.

606
00:29:41,500 --> 00:29:44,150
She got the pension
restored for my father.

607
00:29:44,150 --> 00:29:45,590
My mother was very good.

608
00:29:45,590 --> 00:29:49,030
She got-- she got the
restoration and so on.

609
00:29:49,030 --> 00:29:51,430
She wrote all these
letters and so on.

610
00:29:51,430 --> 00:29:53,110
She was very, very good in that.

611
00:29:53,110 --> 00:29:58,540
And she got a lawyer to help her
and all those things and so on.

612
00:29:58,540 --> 00:30:03,790
And so she-- she
stayed then in Germany.

613
00:30:03,790 --> 00:30:05,810
She came over here all the time.

614
00:30:05,810 --> 00:30:06,580
To visit.

615
00:30:06,580 --> 00:30:07,630
To visit.

616
00:30:07,630 --> 00:30:10,150
But she didn't want it.

617
00:30:10,150 --> 00:30:13,940
Number one, the exchange rate
at this point was 1 to 4.

618
00:30:13,940 --> 00:30:16,870
So her pension would
have been very small,

619
00:30:16,870 --> 00:30:19,750
and she didn't want
to be a burden.

620
00:30:19,750 --> 00:30:22,330
And so then to the end,
really to the end--

621
00:30:22,330 --> 00:30:24,670
my mother died with 95--

622

00:30:24,670 --> 00:30:28,060
she said, I wished I would
have made the decision to come.

623

00:30:28,060 --> 00:30:33,230
Because then we always traveled
forth and back, and so forth.

624

00:30:33,230 --> 00:30:35,480
And I was there when she died.

625

00:30:35,480 --> 00:30:39,940
But she was-- then
she regretted it.

626

00:30:39,940 --> 00:30:43,060
But then she also was,
you see, the trouble

627

00:30:43,060 --> 00:30:44,350
is just foreign language.

628

00:30:44,350 --> 00:30:46,090
One of my uncles,
not the one who

629

00:30:46,090 --> 00:30:49,030
sponsored me but one
of my other uncles,

630

00:30:49,030 --> 00:30:53,990
when he was in the Jewish
home for the aged in New York,

631

00:30:53,990 --> 00:30:57,370
and when he-- he suddenly
only spoke German.

632

00:30:57,370 --> 00:30:58,340
Yeah.

633

00:30:58,340 --> 00:31:01,150
And he was fluent in English.

634
00:31:01,150 --> 00:31:06,260
And my mother was afraid
that she said, if I get sick,

635
00:31:06,260 --> 00:31:08,780
I can't communicate.

636
00:31:08,780 --> 00:31:12,030
And we had a
patient at GW, where

637
00:31:12,030 --> 00:31:15,530
I worked as a physical
therapist, who had a stroke,

638
00:31:15,530 --> 00:31:18,890
and who can speak German.

639
00:31:18,890 --> 00:31:20,390
Who [? again ?] speaks German.

640
00:31:20,390 --> 00:31:22,480
So I said, OK.

641
00:31:22,480 --> 00:31:25,880
So he couldn't speak
a word except German.

642
00:31:25,880 --> 00:31:30,220
And then he recovered, and
he spoke fluent English.

643
00:31:30,220 --> 00:31:33,660
And then we all said, ah!

644
00:31:33,660 --> 00:31:35,937
But he couldn't.

645
00:31:35,937 --> 00:31:36,770

And that's the deal.

646
00:31:36,770 --> 00:31:39,120
So Mommy was very
much aware of that.

647
00:31:39,120 --> 00:31:41,730
And she said, I didn't
want to be a burden,

648
00:31:41,730 --> 00:31:43,870
and I don't want
to lose the ability

649
00:31:43,870 --> 00:31:45,570
that I can communication.

650
00:31:45,570 --> 00:31:51,660
She was very independent
and in control.

651
00:31:51,660 --> 00:31:56,020
And so she didn't want to
have this happen to her.

652
00:31:56,020 --> 00:32:00,330
How fluent were you in
English when you came here?

653
00:32:00,330 --> 00:32:04,254
I was better in English
English than American English.

654
00:32:04,254 --> 00:32:06,489
[LAUGHTER]

655
00:32:06,489 --> 00:32:08,220

656
00:32:08,220 --> 00:32:11,550
I took-- I mean, I had
in high school English.

657

00:32:11,550 --> 00:32:14,100

My first foreign
language was French.

658

00:32:14,100 --> 00:32:17,220

And I was much better in
French than in English.

659

00:32:17,220 --> 00:32:20,910

And then the second was English,
and the third was Latin.

660

00:32:20,910 --> 00:32:25,410

But then before I immigrated
I took English lessons again.

661

00:32:25,410 --> 00:32:28,490

And then I came here, and I
couldn't understand very well

662

00:32:28,490 --> 00:32:31,380

the Americans.

663

00:32:31,380 --> 00:32:33,850

Because the English
is so much easier.

664

00:32:33,850 --> 00:32:36,650

You know, the pronunciation
is so much more distinct.

665

00:32:36,650 --> 00:32:37,590

The Americans--

666

00:32:37,590 --> 00:32:39,952

[IMITATES AMERICAN ACCENT]

667

00:32:39,952 --> 00:32:41,190

You know?

668

00:32:41,190 --> 00:32:42,570

But I go a job.

669

00:32:42,570 --> 00:32:49,920

At first I worked at the
office of three surgeons,

670

00:32:49,920 --> 00:32:51,480

orthopedic surgeons.

671

00:32:51,480 --> 00:32:54,030

And then I came to GW and so on.

672

00:32:54,030 --> 00:32:55,220

But if you learn--

673

00:32:55,220 --> 00:32:58,470

if you're always
surrounded by it

674

00:32:58,470 --> 00:33:05,410

and you don't hear anything
else but English, you get--

675

00:33:05,410 --> 00:33:07,850

and then I also didn't make--

676

00:33:07,850 --> 00:33:09,220

I read books.

677

00:33:09,220 --> 00:33:11,965

Like Agatha Christie is good
to read because there there

678

00:33:11,965 --> 00:33:15,320

is so much dialogue in.

679

00:33:15,320 --> 00:33:16,800

Which is important.

680

00:33:16,800 --> 00:33:19,690

And one of the things
you should never do--

681

00:33:19,690 --> 00:33:23,530

have a dictionary beside you
and if you don't know a word,

682

00:33:23,530 --> 00:33:24,590

look it up.

683

00:33:24,590 --> 00:33:26,290

Then the next, look it up.

684

00:33:26,290 --> 00:33:27,760

You never get anywhere.

685

00:33:27,760 --> 00:33:31,210

Just say OK, in
this context it must

686

00:33:31,210 --> 00:33:33,460

be meaning something like that.

687

00:33:33,460 --> 00:33:34,000

Yeah.

688

00:33:34,000 --> 00:33:38,210

Because if you start to do
that, you never get fluent.

689

00:33:38,210 --> 00:33:38,710

Yeah.

690

00:33:38,710 --> 00:33:40,360

So you stayed with
your sister, and you

691

00:33:40,360 --> 00:33:43,370

worked at GW, George
Washington Hospital?

692

00:33:43,370 --> 00:33:44,600

And then?

693

00:33:44,600 --> 00:33:45,880
Then I met my husband.

694
00:33:45,880 --> 00:33:47,626
Oh, then you met your husband.

695
00:33:47,626 --> 00:33:48,880
OK.

696
00:33:48,880 --> 00:33:50,080
And he was American?

697
00:33:50,080 --> 00:33:50,810
Oh, yes.

698
00:33:50,810 --> 00:33:52,250
Yes, and he spoke also--

699
00:33:52,250 --> 00:33:55,090
[IMITATING AMERICAN ACCENT]
I mean, I could-- by then

700
00:33:55,090 --> 00:33:56,650
I could understand that.

701
00:33:56,650 --> 00:34:00,200
But all our friends, you
know, anybody who came over,

702
00:34:00,200 --> 00:34:02,170
they all had trouble
to understand him.

703
00:34:02,170 --> 00:34:04,000
Because you know,
he speaks like that.

704
00:34:04,000 --> 00:34:07,270
He was-- my husband is
from Altoona, Pennsylvania.

705
00:34:07,270 --> 00:34:09,060

So he also had--

706

00:34:09,060 --> 00:34:12,699
when we dated, we were sitting
at the railroad tracks,

707

00:34:12,699 --> 00:34:14,190
watching the trains going by.

708

00:34:14,190 --> 00:34:17,030
Because his father worked for
the Pennsylvania railroad,

709

00:34:17,030 --> 00:34:20,690
and my father the
German railroad.

710

00:34:20,690 --> 00:34:23,409
So when we came back, we
lived in an old house,

711

00:34:23,409 --> 00:34:25,540
in old town Alexandria.

712

00:34:25,540 --> 00:34:29,050
And then we also had
another roommate,

713

00:34:29,050 --> 00:34:33,139
which was a classmate from
graduate school for my sister.

714

00:34:33,139 --> 00:34:33,639
Jean.

715

00:34:33,639 --> 00:34:35,580
And she said, oh, you are lying.

716

00:34:35,580 --> 00:34:38,996
And my sister said,
uh-uh, I don't think so.

717

00:34:38,996 --> 00:34:42,310
[LAUGHTER]

718
00:34:42,310 --> 00:34:43,880
So what year did
you get married?

719
00:34:43,880 --> 00:34:44,975
'58.

720
00:34:44,975 --> 00:34:46,214
'58.

721
00:34:46,214 --> 00:34:48,449
Mm-hmm.

722
00:34:48,449 --> 00:34:50,340
And then you
continued on working?

723
00:34:50,340 --> 00:34:51,570
Oh, yeah.

724
00:34:51,570 --> 00:34:54,110
I worked all the time.

725
00:34:54,110 --> 00:34:54,659
Yeah.

726
00:34:54,659 --> 00:34:55,679
But then I went back.

727
00:34:55,679 --> 00:34:58,230

728
00:34:58,230 --> 00:35:02,760
Physical therapy, I was
a very good therapy.

729
00:35:02,760 --> 00:35:05,340
But the trouble with
physical therapy

730

00:35:05,340 --> 00:35:12,540

is, you are involved in the whole family, psychological.

731

00:35:12,540 --> 00:35:16,800

And you work mentally with the patient and physical,

732

00:35:16,800 --> 00:35:20,510

which makes it very difficult. Like I had--

733

00:35:20,510 --> 00:35:22,310

I had one patient.

734

00:35:22,310 --> 00:35:25,750

I worked also then for the visiting nurses.

735

00:35:25,750 --> 00:35:28,320

And so we went to the homes.

736

00:35:28,320 --> 00:35:31,860

And there was one lady, and she lived near DuPont Circle.

737

00:35:31,860 --> 00:35:35,640

And the house was several levels.

738

00:35:35,640 --> 00:35:38,040

And she was in the bedroom upstairs.

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00:35:38,040 --> 00:35:42,270

And they had put in an elevator on the stairs.

740

00:35:42,270 --> 00:35:44,130

And she was frightened to death.

741

00:35:44,130 --> 00:35:47,190
And I said, you can do it!

742
00:35:47,190 --> 00:35:49,980
I come after work, and we do it.

743
00:35:49,980 --> 00:35:53,940
And you make sure that your
husband and your son is there.

744
00:35:53,940 --> 00:35:54,580
And so on.

745
00:35:54,580 --> 00:35:55,470
So they were.

746
00:35:55,470 --> 00:35:58,030
And I said, OK, you can do it.

747
00:35:58,030 --> 00:36:01,450
And so you had to be-- and
she was much taller than I am.

748
00:36:01,450 --> 00:36:05,490
And you had to be very strong
to convince these people.

749
00:36:05,490 --> 00:36:09,420
I wasn't so sure if she can,
but you can't let them know.

750
00:36:09,420 --> 00:36:11,070
So she did.

751
00:36:11,070 --> 00:36:12,450
And she went down.

752
00:36:12,450 --> 00:36:15,870
And then she had a Martini
with her husband and her son.

753
00:36:15,870 --> 00:36:18,430

And then we went up again.

754
00:36:18,430 --> 00:36:19,150
And so on.

755
00:36:19,150 --> 00:36:20,460
So she can do it.

756
00:36:20,460 --> 00:36:24,750
And then I flew down the
stairs, because I said, ah,

757
00:36:24,750 --> 00:36:26,300
I wasn't sure if we managed.

758
00:36:26,300 --> 00:36:29,310
And so the husband
then said to me, yeah,

759
00:36:29,310 --> 00:36:32,230
my wife told me that you
don't walk down the stairs,

760
00:36:32,230 --> 00:36:35,280
you fly down.

761
00:36:35,280 --> 00:36:38,100
And so one time my
mother was there,

762
00:36:38,100 --> 00:36:41,160
and John and my mother
and I, we went to a party.

763
00:36:41,160 --> 00:36:44,290
And everybody was there, and
then they couldn't find me.

764
00:36:44,290 --> 00:36:45,870
And then I was
sitting in one room.

765

00:36:45,870 --> 00:36:49,380
At this point, I was the chief
therapist of the Easter Seals

766
00:36:49,380 --> 00:36:52,560
Treatment Center in Rockville.

767
00:36:52,560 --> 00:36:54,340
And they couldn't find me.

768
00:36:54,340 --> 00:36:56,030
And then they
found me in a room,

769
00:36:56,030 --> 00:37:00,000
sitting on a sofa sound asleep.

770
00:37:00,000 --> 00:37:07,260
Because as a chief therapist, I
always thought if anything is--

771
00:37:07,260 --> 00:37:10,530
I told the other therapists,
OK, you take it easy,

772
00:37:10,530 --> 00:37:12,910
and I took an extra patient.

773
00:37:12,910 --> 00:37:15,300
And I was just plain exhausted.

774
00:37:15,300 --> 00:37:19,730
So my husband then talked to
the librarian at this point,

775
00:37:19,730 --> 00:37:21,500
at the bureau of standards.

776
00:37:21,500 --> 00:37:25,890
It's now the National Institute
of Standards and Technology.

777

00:37:25,890 --> 00:37:29,230

And he said you always
loved books and so on.

778

00:37:29,230 --> 00:37:32,770

So I talked to her,
and then I took an exam

779

00:37:32,770 --> 00:37:37,020

with the civil service
in translating German

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00:37:37,020 --> 00:37:38,820

into English.

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00:37:38,820 --> 00:37:43,410

And after-- so that I
could work as a translator.

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00:37:43,410 --> 00:37:46,740

And it was the National
Bureau of Standards.

783

00:37:46,740 --> 00:37:51,400

And after I was finished,
I thought, gosh,

784

00:37:51,400 --> 00:37:54,180

if I would be a
few years younger,

785

00:37:54,180 --> 00:37:58,440

I would have flunked
my old native tongue.

786

00:37:58,440 --> 00:38:03,092

Because it was all in
German, old German script.

787

00:38:03,092 --> 00:38:04,900

Yeah.

788

00:38:04,900 --> 00:38:09,185

And I came home, and I said,
John, they still have it

789
00:38:09,185 --> 00:38:11,860
in the old German script.

790
00:38:11,860 --> 00:38:12,860
I was--

791
00:38:12,860 --> 00:38:16,180
And so then I worked as a
translator in the library

792
00:38:16,180 --> 00:38:18,200
at the National
Bureau of Standards.

793
00:38:18,200 --> 00:38:21,230
And I realized that you don't
get anywhere in a library

794
00:38:21,230 --> 00:38:23,330
except you have that
master's degree.

795
00:38:23,330 --> 00:38:26,810
You can have 10
PhDs or whatever.

796
00:38:26,810 --> 00:38:30,800
You have to have that master's
degree in library science.

797
00:38:30,800 --> 00:38:36,000
So then I went to Catholic U
and got the master's degree.

798
00:38:36,000 --> 00:38:37,520
And then I had to
[? side ?] pass,

799
00:38:37,520 --> 00:38:41,450
because I didn't have enough--

800
00:38:41,450 --> 00:38:45,020
I had all these medical courses.

801
00:38:45,020 --> 00:38:47,840
So I didn't had enough
liberal arts courses.

802
00:38:47,840 --> 00:38:51,870
So they sent me pick to
undergraduate school.

803
00:38:51,870 --> 00:38:54,070
So I went to
undergraduate school.

804
00:38:54,070 --> 00:38:57,320
And in order to get it
faster, I said, OK, I

805
00:38:57,320 --> 00:39:00,560
take German literature.

806
00:39:00,560 --> 00:39:02,600
And so I graduate--
and art history,

807
00:39:02,600 --> 00:39:05,020
because I had both
in them background.

808
00:39:05,020 --> 00:39:07,860
So I said, OK, so I got this.

809
00:39:07,860 --> 00:39:09,170
And then I went there.

810
00:39:09,170 --> 00:39:13,130
And then I worked as
a librarian, yeah.

811
00:39:13,130 --> 00:39:15,830

And I worked first
at NBS, and then

812
00:39:15,830 --> 00:39:18,320
I worked for the Nuclear
Regulatory Commission

813
00:39:18,320 --> 00:39:21,080
as a reference
librarian and I worked--

814
00:39:21,080 --> 00:39:24,800
and then when I retired, I
worked there as a consultant.

815
00:39:24,800 --> 00:39:27,770
And I had all the
foreign documents

816
00:39:27,770 --> 00:39:31,730
coming from Vienna, you know,
the National Atomic Energy

817
00:39:31,730 --> 00:39:34,830
Commission and all
of these places.

818
00:39:34,830 --> 00:39:37,040
Yeah.

819
00:39:37,040 --> 00:39:43,220
So I worked until 2005.

820
00:39:43,220 --> 00:39:45,150
And when my husband
collapsed, I said,

821
00:39:45,150 --> 00:39:47,420
my gosh, I wish I
had my job back.

822
00:39:47,420 --> 00:39:50,630
It's the best thing

you can have is a job.

823
00:39:50,630 --> 00:39:53,670
You have to function.

824
00:39:53,670 --> 00:39:58,400
And something-- also as a
physical therapist, you know,

825
00:39:58,400 --> 00:40:01,260
like with that lady--

826
00:40:01,260 --> 00:40:05,250
when I was with the Easter
Seal, I had an old lady.

827
00:40:05,250 --> 00:40:06,820
Then I thought was old.

828
00:40:06,820 --> 00:40:08,330
Was 80 or something.

829
00:40:08,330 --> 00:40:12,260
She had a hip operation,
and she walked with a cane.

830
00:40:12,260 --> 00:40:15,620
And she said, "the doctor
told me I would be like new,

831
00:40:15,620 --> 00:40:18,140
and here I am
walking with a cane."

832
00:40:18,140 --> 00:40:21,290
I said, "now if I'm in your
age and just have a cane,

833
00:40:21,290 --> 00:40:23,548
I think that would
be very happy."

834

00:40:23,548 --> 00:40:25,090
And she said, "you
have good talking.

835
00:40:25,090 --> 00:40:27,440
You have nothing ever
experienced wrong."

836
00:40:27,440 --> 00:40:29,270
I said, "you really
want to know?"

837
00:40:29,270 --> 00:40:31,400
And I told her my past.

838
00:40:31,400 --> 00:40:34,550
And then she said,
"oh, I think I'm very

839
00:40:34,550 --> 00:40:36,710
happy to have a cane only."

840
00:40:36,710 --> 00:40:41,150
But you learn to smile.

841
00:40:41,150 --> 00:40:45,980
And people don't expect that
you have anything like this

842
00:40:45,980 --> 00:40:48,180
in your past, and so on.

843
00:40:48,180 --> 00:40:51,020
And at first, I
never really talked.

844
00:40:51,020 --> 00:40:55,040
You know, you didn't talk about
it in any case, and so on.

845
00:40:55,040 --> 00:40:57,500
But one thing, neither
John or I could have--

846
00:40:57,500 --> 00:40:59,790
we couldn't have children.

847
00:40:59,790 --> 00:41:01,050
I couldn't put any--

848
00:41:01,050 --> 00:41:03,990
I thought it was so
awful, that I would never

849
00:41:03,990 --> 00:41:06,300
expose any child to the world.

850
00:41:06,300 --> 00:41:10,210
Who knows if not something
like this happens again?

851
00:41:10,210 --> 00:41:13,360
And John was drafted
with 18, and he

852
00:41:13,360 --> 00:41:15,850
was at the Battle of the Bulge.

853
00:41:15,850 --> 00:41:18,100
And he came back
very badly wounded.

854
00:41:18,100 --> 00:41:20,260
He has a Purple
Heart and everything.

855
00:41:20,260 --> 00:41:23,440
He lives in-- he is
buried in Arlington.

856
00:41:23,440 --> 00:41:28,290
And we both made a decision,
we don't want children.

857
00:41:28,290 --> 00:41:31,720

Because he thought it was
so awful, and I thought--

858
00:41:31,720 --> 00:41:35,790
and I always think, how can
all these people have children?

859
00:41:35,790 --> 00:41:40,044
I just-- I just couldn't.

860
00:41:40,044 --> 00:41:42,600
I just couldn't.

861
00:41:42,600 --> 00:41:47,960
And I confronted my mother
one time, when Hitler was on.

862
00:41:47,960 --> 00:41:50,900
And I said, you know,
only because you and Vati

863
00:41:50,900 --> 00:41:54,490
wanted to have children
I had to be born.

864
00:41:54,490 --> 00:41:56,150
And my mother told
me that later,

865
00:41:56,150 --> 00:41:58,970
and she said she was
horrified, and so on.

866
00:41:58,970 --> 00:42:00,980
But it was so awful for me.

867
00:42:00,980 --> 00:42:02,460
It was so awful.

868
00:42:02,460 --> 00:42:06,380
And I was in school, and I had
classmates, and I had friends,

869

00:42:06,380 --> 00:42:11,870

but I always know that
somewhere there is no--

870

00:42:11,870 --> 00:42:13,280

it will hit me.

871

00:42:13,280 --> 00:42:19,830

And I just couldn't see to have
anybody putting into the world.

872

00:42:19,830 --> 00:42:22,570

But most people did.

873

00:42:22,570 --> 00:42:25,200

And I don't know how
they could manage.

874

00:42:25,200 --> 00:42:26,460

Did your sister get married?

875

00:42:26,460 --> 00:42:28,693

No, my sister never got married.

876

00:42:28,693 --> 00:42:29,610

She never got married.

877

00:42:29,610 --> 00:42:31,470

No, no.

878

00:42:31,470 --> 00:42:33,820

No, she never got married.

879

00:42:33,820 --> 00:42:35,230

So I don't know.

880

00:42:35,230 --> 00:42:39,920

I just-- you know--

881

00:42:39,920 --> 00:42:43,420

882
00:42:43,420 --> 00:42:46,270
and Mommy's family was--

883
00:42:46,270 --> 00:42:48,570
you know, they were all--

884
00:42:48,570 --> 00:42:49,420
Mommy.

885
00:42:49,420 --> 00:42:51,010
Mommy, my mother
had one brother,

886
00:42:51,010 --> 00:42:52,390
and they were very close.

887
00:42:52,390 --> 00:42:56,740
And when Vati died,
he refused to see her.

888
00:42:56,740 --> 00:42:59,080
And it was awful.

889
00:42:59,080 --> 00:43:04,430
So when he died, John and
I were actually in Germany.

890
00:43:04,430 --> 00:43:07,370
And it was awful for
my mother, really.

891
00:43:07,370 --> 00:43:09,880
But I said, I can't
go to his funeral.

892
00:43:09,880 --> 00:43:11,140
I just can't pretend.

893
00:43:11,140 --> 00:43:14,070
I'm sorry.

894
00:43:14,070 --> 00:43:16,690
Yeah, so I didn't go.

895
00:43:16,690 --> 00:43:19,810
Let's talk a little
bit about Germany now.

896
00:43:19,810 --> 00:43:21,620
Do you feel very German?

897
00:43:21,620 --> 00:43:22,120
No.

898
00:43:22,120 --> 00:43:24,890

899
00:43:24,890 --> 00:43:26,650
Do you feel American?

900
00:43:26,650 --> 00:43:30,800
Yes, yes, yes.

901
00:43:30,800 --> 00:43:34,000
See, I'm a docent for the
National Gallery of Art.

902
00:43:34,000 --> 00:43:36,990
And I give tours in
English on weekends.

903
00:43:36,990 --> 00:43:40,010
I'm a weekend docent.

904
00:43:40,010 --> 00:43:42,280
They drafted me to
give tours in German,

905
00:43:42,280 --> 00:43:47,440
because there are only four of
them, foreign language docents.

906

00:43:47,440 --> 00:43:50,740
And one has ovarian cancer,
and one has some kind

907
00:43:50,740 --> 00:43:53,410
of another intestine problem.

908
00:43:53,410 --> 00:43:58,360
And so there are practically
only two left which give tour--

909
00:43:58,360 --> 00:44:01,570
So I give regularly
tours in German.

910
00:44:01,570 --> 00:44:06,450
And somewhere, each time I
have to jump over my own shadow

911
00:44:06,450 --> 00:44:08,710
to give it in German.

912
00:44:08,710 --> 00:44:10,254
Psychologically, you mean.

913
00:44:10,254 --> 00:44:11,040
Mm-hmm.

914
00:44:11,040 --> 00:44:11,540
Why?

915
00:44:11,540 --> 00:44:14,280
What are your thoughts about?

916
00:44:14,280 --> 00:44:15,750
I don't want to speak German.

917
00:44:15,750 --> 00:44:17,400
You don't want to
speak the language.

918
00:44:17,400 --> 00:44:19,580

That's right.

919
00:44:19,580 --> 00:44:21,800
I've always said, naja,
here in this building,

920
00:44:21,800 --> 00:44:24,410
as I told you,
German conversation,

921
00:44:24,410 --> 00:44:27,530
they're almost all
German survivors.

922
00:44:27,530 --> 00:44:29,630
I mean, Holocaust survivors.

923
00:44:29,630 --> 00:44:31,610
And they speak German.

924
00:44:31,610 --> 00:44:33,410
And then I speak German.

925
00:44:33,410 --> 00:44:36,650
And I always-- one time--

926
00:44:36,650 --> 00:44:39,840
next time I think I ask them.

927
00:44:39,840 --> 00:44:42,450
Because at first,
they didn't know.

928
00:44:42,450 --> 00:44:43,550
They said, you know--

929
00:44:43,550 --> 00:44:45,480
I said, OK, I come
one time, and I

930
00:44:45,480 --> 00:44:48,450
thought that would be one time

I would come and that's all.

931
00:44:48,450 --> 00:44:51,620
And then realized that they are
all more or less Jewish, and so

932
00:44:51,620 --> 00:44:52,120
on.

933
00:44:52,120 --> 00:44:55,770
So I have been going
from time to time.

934
00:44:55,770 --> 00:44:57,140
But I don't know.

935
00:44:57,140 --> 00:44:58,910
They don't seem to
have that problem.

936
00:44:58,910 --> 00:45:01,920
But I don't want
to speak to them.

937
00:45:01,920 --> 00:45:03,650
I also dream in English.

938
00:45:03,650 --> 00:45:05,410
And I count in English.

939
00:45:05,410 --> 00:45:09,830
And when I go to Germany, I go
in a store and count, one, two,

940
00:45:09,830 --> 00:45:10,690
three, four.

941
00:45:10,690 --> 00:45:12,410
Purposely or just naturally?

942
00:45:12,410 --> 00:45:14,260
Naturally.

943
00:45:14,260 --> 00:45:16,650
So you go back to
Germany frequently or?

944
00:45:16,650 --> 00:45:19,510
I was-- while my mother
lived, when she was very old,

945
00:45:19,510 --> 00:45:20,850
I went over there quite often.

946
00:45:20,850 --> 00:45:21,630
Yeah.

947
00:45:21,630 --> 00:45:24,190
Yeah, I was there when
she died and so on.

948
00:45:24,190 --> 00:45:25,660
When my mother died--

949
00:45:25,660 --> 00:45:29,650
and you know, my mother lived
in a senior citizen home.

950
00:45:29,650 --> 00:45:31,720
And the people were
all very nice to me.

951
00:45:31,720 --> 00:45:33,730
And I only read English books.

952
00:45:33,730 --> 00:45:37,450
And I said, I don't want
that they are nice to me.

953
00:45:37,450 --> 00:45:39,880
I don't want that
they are nice to me.

954
00:45:39,880 --> 00:45:41,480

I just didn't.

955

00:45:41,480 --> 00:45:44,720

And my husband spent a year in--

956

00:45:44,720 --> 00:45:47,510

was sent from NBS to England.

957

00:45:47,510 --> 00:45:50,770

And he was supposed to be one
year in England and half--

958

00:45:50,770 --> 00:45:52,730

and the other half--

half a year in England,

959

00:45:52,730 --> 00:45:55,510

half a year in Goettingen.

And I told John,

960

00:45:55,510 --> 00:45:59,140

OK, I come visit to England,

and then I go home and you

961

00:45:59,140 --> 00:46:00,960

go to Goettingen.

962

00:46:00,960 --> 00:46:03,150

And needless saying, he

didn't go to Goettingen.

963

00:46:03,150 --> 00:46:05,310

He extended his time in Germany.

964

00:46:05,310 --> 00:46:08,040

But I couldn't live for

half a year in Germany.

965

00:46:08,040 --> 00:46:08,760

I couldn't.

966

00:46:08,760 --> 00:46:10,510

He extended his stay
in England, you mean.

967
00:46:10,510 --> 00:46:14,350
Yeah, he spent the whole
year in England then.

968
00:46:14,350 --> 00:46:17,842
Well, what are your
thoughts about Germany?

969
00:46:17,842 --> 00:46:19,900
How would you explain
that to somebody?

970
00:46:19,900 --> 00:46:21,540
Naja, I don't understand.

971
00:46:21,540 --> 00:46:23,190
I mean, I can now--

972
00:46:23,190 --> 00:46:25,060
I can go to Germany.

973
00:46:25,060 --> 00:46:27,720
I can talk to the Germans.

974
00:46:27,720 --> 00:46:31,890
I can't-- especially
the younger generation,

975
00:46:31,890 --> 00:46:35,920
when we come to Germany,
my sister and I all see,

976
00:46:35,920 --> 00:46:38,970
for example, from my mother's
family, the younger generation,

977
00:46:38,970 --> 00:46:41,100
they all come and
want to see us.

978

00:46:41,100 --> 00:46:42,900

You know, the aunts
from England--

979

00:46:42,900 --> 00:46:45,820

from the United
States and so on.

980

00:46:45,820 --> 00:46:47,640

And they are all Aryans.

981

00:46:47,640 --> 00:46:50,950

You know, they are all
very nice to us and so on.

982

00:46:50,950 --> 00:46:54,070

And I can talk to them.

983

00:46:54,070 --> 00:46:59,430

I don't feel that I have to
hold this all against them.

984

00:46:59,430 --> 00:47:03,210

They were not even alive then.

985

00:47:03,210 --> 00:47:05,700

I don't think they have
to apologize for what

986

00:47:05,700 --> 00:47:08,226

their parents did, you know?

987

00:47:08,226 --> 00:47:10,500

who knows how they
would have reacted?

988

00:47:10,500 --> 00:47:12,090

Maybe different, maybe not.

989

00:47:12,090 --> 00:47:13,320

I don't know.

990

00:47:13,320 --> 00:47:17,040

But I can go to Germany now.

991

00:47:17,040 --> 00:47:19,320

In the beginning, I couldn't.

992

00:47:19,320 --> 00:47:24,540

But now I can go to Germany and
talk to the Germans and so on.

993

00:47:24,540 --> 00:47:29,490

But I make sure I have
only English books to read.

994

00:47:29,490 --> 00:47:33,480

And when my sister and I
talk, when we go together,

995

00:47:33,480 --> 00:47:34,600

we talk English.

996

00:47:34,600 --> 00:47:35,190

You do?

997

00:47:35,190 --> 00:47:36,250

Oh, yeah.

998

00:47:36,250 --> 00:47:36,930

Yeah.

999

00:47:36,930 --> 00:47:39,750

And we were-- one time we
went to the Lake Constance,

1000

00:47:39,750 --> 00:47:41,220

and we were in a train.

1001

00:47:41,220 --> 00:47:43,000

And there was a young lady.

1002

00:47:43,000 --> 00:47:45,750

And she finally asked
us, and she said--

1003
00:47:45,750 --> 00:47:48,830
you know, because you realize
that when we talked to her

1004
00:47:48,830 --> 00:47:51,400
we spoke German and so on.

1005
00:47:51,400 --> 00:47:54,420
And she said, but you always
talk English to each other.

1006
00:47:54,420 --> 00:47:56,610
And we said yes.

1007
00:47:56,610 --> 00:47:59,670
And I think I do more
than my sister, even.

1008
00:47:59,670 --> 00:48:02,220
But then she is two
years older, which

1009
00:48:02,220 --> 00:48:05,580
makes slightly different maybe.

1010
00:48:05,580 --> 00:48:06,840
I don't know.

1011
00:48:06,840 --> 00:48:18,460
But I-- sometimes how
Germany recovered and so on,

1012
00:48:18,460 --> 00:48:21,200
it's really remarkable.

1013
00:48:21,200 --> 00:48:24,270
You know, but I feel
more East German

1014

00:48:24,270 --> 00:48:29,470
than I feel West
German, if you see that.

1015
00:48:29,470 --> 00:48:35,780
And it is very sad what's
going on in East Germany.

1016
00:48:35,780 --> 00:48:38,460
Do you feel Jewish at all?

1017
00:48:38,460 --> 00:48:40,040
Yeah, because all my--

1018
00:48:40,040 --> 00:48:41,990
most of my friends are Jewish.

1019
00:48:41,990 --> 00:48:43,300
Really?

1020
00:48:43,300 --> 00:48:45,590
And I don't know
how it happened.

1021
00:48:45,590 --> 00:48:48,070
The people, most of--

1022
00:48:48,070 --> 00:48:50,630
naja, the majority of
people here are Jewish.

1023
00:48:50,630 --> 00:48:52,460
But the people I
have dinner with--

1024
00:48:52,460 --> 00:48:55,370
I skip dinner very often,
but the ones I have,

1025
00:48:55,370 --> 00:48:58,130
they're all Jews.

1026

00:48:58,130 --> 00:49:01,058
And my best friends, like
Renata [? Chernov ?] and so on,

1027
00:49:01,058 --> 00:49:01,850
they're all Jewish.

1028
00:49:01,850 --> 00:49:05,520

1029
00:49:05,520 --> 00:49:12,560
Is there anything today
that reminds you of the war?

1030
00:49:12,560 --> 00:49:18,770
Times, sights or sounds or
smells that bring a flashback?

1031
00:49:18,770 --> 00:49:20,720
Naja, when I see the--

1032
00:49:20,720 --> 00:49:22,610
when I see the
wars, pictures, you

1033
00:49:22,610 --> 00:49:27,565
know, from Iraq or from
Afghanistan and so on, yes.

1034
00:49:27,565 --> 00:49:31,030

1035
00:49:31,030 --> 00:49:34,240
A war is something
awful in my eyes.

1036
00:49:34,240 --> 00:49:34,770
It's awful.

1037
00:49:34,770 --> 00:49:37,450

1038

00:49:37,450 --> 00:49:40,900
And you always
hit the civilians.

1039
00:49:40,900 --> 00:49:43,820

1040
00:49:43,820 --> 00:49:44,930
You know?

1041
00:49:44,930 --> 00:49:48,410
I mean, in Berlin
when they bombed,

1042
00:49:48,410 --> 00:49:52,413
there's a whole part,
which is Siemensstadt.

1043
00:49:52,413 --> 00:49:53,340
Siemens.

1044
00:49:53,340 --> 00:49:55,810
The Americans never
bombed Siemensstadt.

1045
00:49:55,810 --> 00:49:59,470
Because they wanted to
have all their patents.

1046
00:49:59,470 --> 00:50:01,510
They hit us.

1047
00:50:01,510 --> 00:50:05,760
You know, I always say, why
didn't they hit Auschwitz?

1048
00:50:05,760 --> 00:50:07,620
I mean, it was awful
for the people,

1049
00:50:07,620 --> 00:50:10,690
but it's better to be over with.

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00:50:10,690 --> 00:50:12,520

They never hit it.

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00:50:12,520 --> 00:50:13,410

Why didn't they?

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00:50:13,410 --> 00:50:17,160

They knew that
Auschwitz existed.

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00:50:17,160 --> 00:50:19,980

And you know, this
one boat, when

1054

00:50:19,980 --> 00:50:22,810

you go to the Holocaust
Museum, you know, they show you

1055

00:50:22,810 --> 00:50:26,270

the boat which went to Cuba,
and they didn't let in,

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00:50:26,270 --> 00:50:27,145

and all the lengths--

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00:50:27,145 --> 00:50:27,840

The St. Louis.

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00:50:27,840 --> 00:50:29,420

The St. Louis.

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00:50:29,420 --> 00:50:33,180

And they didn't let them in.

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00:50:33,180 --> 00:50:34,160

You know?

1061

00:50:34,160 --> 00:50:35,670

And they knew.

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00:50:35,670 --> 00:50:39,070

I mean, sure, and
my cousins, you

1063
00:50:39,070 --> 00:50:43,590
know, the ones who immigrated,
who made it out in 30--

1064
00:50:43,590 --> 00:50:47,060
in '39, really, over in London
they came here, and so on.

1065
00:50:47,060 --> 00:50:49,740
And [? Loni--- ?] and
they are now all going

1066
00:50:49,740 --> 00:50:53,250
to the synagogues, and we go to
the bat mitzvahs and all these

1067
00:50:53,250 --> 00:50:55,020
things when it happens
in their family,

1068
00:50:55,020 --> 00:50:58,080
and they have Jewish weddings
and everything certainly.

1069
00:50:58,080 --> 00:51:04,715
But Loni said we never prayed
for the Jews in Germany.

1070
00:51:04,715 --> 00:51:06,910
She said we didn't.

1071
00:51:06,910 --> 00:51:10,330
No, we never did.

1072
00:51:10,330 --> 00:51:14,930
And then I feel you can't
get mad at civilians.

1073
00:51:14,930 --> 00:51:18,900
I feel that they

abandoned us in Germany.

1074
00:51:18,900 --> 00:51:19,400
Yeah.

1075
00:51:19,400 --> 00:51:24,110
And it was almost
impossible to come out.

1076
00:51:24,110 --> 00:51:28,430
But the people who went
over the Himalayas,

1077
00:51:28,430 --> 00:51:31,880
like the widow of
Mahler the composer

1078
00:51:31,880 --> 00:51:36,200
and so on, all these, the
top people, they got out.

1079
00:51:36,200 --> 00:51:39,370
But the little ones, the
Jews, they were stuck.

1080
00:51:39,370 --> 00:51:43,650

1081
00:51:43,650 --> 00:51:49,860
So then, you know, it's
the Germans were awful.

1082
00:51:49,860 --> 00:51:52,630
But then the people who came
back out of the concentration

1083
00:51:52,630 --> 00:51:55,410
camps, many of them, when
they went back to Poland,

1084
00:51:55,410 --> 00:51:59,770
the Poles killed them.

1085
00:51:59,770 --> 00:52:01,240
So are they better?

1086
00:52:01,240 --> 00:52:03,900
And the Ukrainian
guards in the camps

1087
00:52:03,900 --> 00:52:07,560
were worse than
the German guards.

1088
00:52:07,560 --> 00:52:10,060
But nobody says
anything about it.

1089
00:52:10,060 --> 00:52:15,080
So sometimes, you
know, I think--

1090
00:52:15,080 --> 00:52:18,160
and the whole world looked on.

1091
00:52:18,160 --> 00:52:22,960
And America didn't go in
the war until much later.

1092
00:52:22,960 --> 00:52:26,140
By then everything was rolling.

1093
00:52:26,140 --> 00:52:29,010
And they knew about it.

1094
00:52:29,010 --> 00:52:31,090
You think it could happen again?

1095
00:52:31,090 --> 00:52:32,710
Yes.

1096
00:52:32,710 --> 00:52:36,700
Maybe different, not
with the gas chambers.

1097

00:52:36,700 --> 00:52:40,630

One time my sister gave a party,
and one of the people asked us.

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00:52:40,630 --> 00:52:44,260

This was-- I was already
married then for [? one year. ?]

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00:52:44,260 --> 00:52:45,630

And he said, how do you feel?

1100

00:52:45,630 --> 00:52:47,530

And I said, "naja,
sometimes I feel

1101

00:52:47,530 --> 00:52:50,650

like this is a really
beautiful dream,

1102

00:52:50,650 --> 00:52:53,560

and one day I will
wake up, and then

1103

00:52:53,560 --> 00:52:56,920

it's all again like it was."

1104

00:52:56,920 --> 00:52:58,810

And then I asked my
sister, and she said,

1105

00:52:58,810 --> 00:53:01,810

just [? the words, ?]
"that was a bad dream,

1106

00:53:01,810 --> 00:53:03,950

and this is a reality."

1107

00:53:03,950 --> 00:53:07,170

But yes, I think it
can happen again.

1108

00:53:07,170 --> 00:53:11,210

And when East Germany--
when the wall fell,

1109
00:53:11,210 --> 00:53:13,160
I had a terrible dream.

1110
00:53:13,160 --> 00:53:17,090
I was standing on a
mountain, and there

1111
00:53:17,090 --> 00:53:18,830
was a railway station.

1112
00:53:18,830 --> 00:53:21,740
And I was in-- obviously
in West Germany.

1113
00:53:21,740 --> 00:53:23,450
And the wall fell.

1114
00:53:23,450 --> 00:53:27,860
And I went down to the railroad
station and entered the train.

1115
00:53:27,860 --> 00:53:31,200
And then the train went East,
and all the people in there

1116
00:53:31,200 --> 00:53:33,370
were dead.

1117
00:53:33,370 --> 00:53:34,540
So it still haunts me.

1118
00:53:34,540 --> 00:53:38,720

1119
00:53:38,720 --> 00:53:40,810
So there are certain
things, when they happen,

1120
00:53:40,810 --> 00:53:41,670

it just haunts me.

1121
00:53:41,670 --> 00:53:43,122
Yeah.

1122
00:53:43,122 --> 00:53:45,060
Yeah.

1123
00:53:45,060 --> 00:53:49,920
I never will get over it.

1124
00:53:49,920 --> 00:53:52,410
I never will get really over it.

1125
00:53:52,410 --> 00:53:55,170
And even people
say I do so much.

1126
00:53:55,170 --> 00:54:00,290
Yes, and I do supposedly a
very good job in giving tours

1127
00:54:00,290 --> 00:54:02,970
and so on.

1128
00:54:02,970 --> 00:54:07,810
But I feel very much different
than the other docents.

1129
00:54:07,810 --> 00:54:09,950
I feel different.

1130
00:54:09,950 --> 00:54:15,710
And one of the things is, I
feel different is they also--

1131
00:54:15,710 --> 00:54:19,580
one of our docents,
there is a Jewish group.

1132
00:54:19,580 --> 00:54:22,560
And they immediately

took her in.

1133
00:54:22,560 --> 00:54:24,000
But they didn't take me in.

1134
00:54:24,000 --> 00:54:25,640
I'm not really Jewish.

1135
00:54:25,640 --> 00:54:27,770
And I'm not really there either.

1136
00:54:27,770 --> 00:54:31,620
So all my life I have been
struggling somewhere between.

1137
00:54:31,620 --> 00:54:34,530

1138
00:54:34,530 --> 00:54:38,460
I feel closer to the
Jews, but I'm not really--

1139
00:54:38,460 --> 00:54:42,170

1140
00:54:42,170 --> 00:54:43,370
I don't know.

1141
00:54:43,370 --> 00:54:47,960
So John and I got married
in the Unitarian Church.

1142
00:54:47,960 --> 00:54:49,400
How did you meet him?

1143
00:54:49,400 --> 00:54:51,890
Oh, I met him in a camp.

1144
00:54:51,890 --> 00:54:53,810
At Prince William Forest.

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00:54:53,810 --> 00:54:55,830
Oh.

1146
00:54:55,830 --> 00:54:59,370
My sister had a
friend and colleague

1147
00:54:59,370 --> 00:55:03,480
who was a member of the 2030
Club of the Unitarian Church,

1148
00:55:03,480 --> 00:55:05,280
16th Street.

1149
00:55:05,280 --> 00:55:07,800
And they had--

1150
00:55:07,800 --> 00:55:11,430
Memorial Day, they
went to a camp

1151
00:55:11,430 --> 00:55:15,120
in Prince William County Forest.

1152
00:55:15,120 --> 00:55:17,130
And they had three
camps-- for men,

1153
00:55:17,130 --> 00:55:19,200
for women, and for families.

1154
00:55:19,200 --> 00:55:21,780
So Laura said to my
sister, don't you

1155
00:55:21,780 --> 00:55:24,030
and Ursula want to come?

1156
00:55:24,030 --> 00:55:24,870
We said, oh, sure.

1157
00:55:24,870 --> 00:55:25,830

Why not?

1158
00:55:25,830 --> 00:55:27,550
So we did.

1159
00:55:27,550 --> 00:55:29,070
And then we get in--

1160
00:55:29,070 --> 00:55:31,980
I rowed-- was rowing a boat.

1161
00:55:31,980 --> 00:55:34,860
And there came a thunder
show, and it poured.

1162
00:55:34,860 --> 00:55:37,710
And the lake in the
middle had an island,

1163
00:55:37,710 --> 00:55:40,050
and everybody
tried to get there.

1164
00:55:40,050 --> 00:55:43,160
And there was a
gentleman who was John.

1165
00:55:43,160 --> 00:55:44,390
[LAUGHTER]

1166
00:55:44,390 --> 00:55:45,750
Who also went there.

1167
00:55:45,750 --> 00:55:49,270
He also had friends
who, roommates, who

1168
00:55:49,270 --> 00:55:52,110
were members of the 2030 Club.

1169
00:55:52,110 --> 00:55:54,690
And so he was in the men's camp.

1170
00:55:54,690 --> 00:56:00,060
And then he asked me about cars,
about Porsche and all these.

1171
00:56:00,060 --> 00:56:03,180
At this point, he had an MG.

1172
00:56:03,180 --> 00:56:05,255
And I didn't know.

1173
00:56:05,255 --> 00:56:06,570
It was all much--

1174
00:56:06,570 --> 00:56:09,430
I couldn't afford
any of those things.

1175
00:56:09,430 --> 00:56:10,470
So I said, fine.

1176
00:56:10,470 --> 00:56:13,440
So then he asked me for a
date, which I didn't take.

1177
00:56:13,440 --> 00:56:16,020
And then John had
hay fever very badly.

1178
00:56:16,020 --> 00:56:19,950
So he came to GW for shots.

1179
00:56:19,950 --> 00:56:24,470
And I was outside of the
physical therapy department,

1180
00:56:24,470 --> 00:56:26,840
because we had inpatient
and outpatient.

1181
00:56:26,840 --> 00:56:29,720
And I waited for a patient,

and there came a gentleman

1182
00:56:29,720 --> 00:56:34,210
and he said, "oh, you
probably don't remember me."

1183
00:56:34,210 --> 00:56:35,570
"No."

1184
00:56:35,570 --> 00:56:38,810
And then he said, "I
now have a Porsche."

1185
00:56:38,810 --> 00:56:40,220
Oh.

1186
00:56:40,220 --> 00:56:41,300
That's this guy.

1187
00:56:41,300 --> 00:56:42,560
"And so you want to see it?"

1188
00:56:42,560 --> 00:56:44,340
"Sure."

1189
00:56:44,340 --> 00:56:47,510
Then I came home, and I said
to my sister and her roommate--

1190
00:56:47,510 --> 00:56:50,690
and our roommate, if he asks
me for a date again, I do it.

1191
00:56:50,690 --> 00:56:52,370
I want to be in this Porsche.

1192
00:56:52,370 --> 00:56:55,550

1193
00:56:55,550 --> 00:56:56,980
That's how it started.

1194
00:56:56,980 --> 00:56:58,100
Oh, that's wonderful.

1195
00:56:58,100 --> 00:56:58,773
Yeah.

1196
00:56:58,773 --> 00:56:59,700
That's wonderful.

1197
00:56:59,700 --> 00:57:02,690
So I still had the
Porsche when John died.

1198
00:57:02,690 --> 00:57:05,570
I always said, if
the Porsche go, I go.

1199
00:57:05,570 --> 00:57:07,410
How long ago did he die?

1200
00:57:07,410 --> 00:57:10,580
Only on the 15th
of January 2009.

1201
00:57:10,580 --> 00:57:11,960
Oh.

1202
00:57:11,960 --> 00:57:15,030
He had heart attacks before.

1203
00:57:15,030 --> 00:57:19,907
And he collapsed on the
platform of DuPont Circle.

1204
00:57:19,907 --> 00:57:21,940
Oh, my.

1205
00:57:21,940 --> 00:57:24,640
We went-- we went
to GW for tests,

1206

00:57:24,640 --> 00:57:27,190
and everybody thought
he was sailing along.

1207
00:57:27,190 --> 00:57:32,290
He had a kind of a leukemia,
and he had this heart condition,

1208
00:57:32,290 --> 00:57:35,200
and his kidneys didn't
function that well anymore.

1209
00:57:35,200 --> 00:57:37,570
But everybody thought
he was a [INAUDIBLE]..

1210
00:57:37,570 --> 00:57:39,940
And we went to Kramer's.

1211
00:57:39,940 --> 00:57:41,920
And we had lunch.

1212
00:57:41,920 --> 00:57:43,350
And he really made plans.

1213
00:57:43,350 --> 00:57:44,200
We made plans.

1214
00:57:44,200 --> 00:57:46,030
He thought, oh,
maybe we go back.

1215
00:57:46,030 --> 00:57:50,380
We liked to go to Virginia,
to the state parks.

1216
00:57:50,380 --> 00:57:55,450
And then he went back to the
railroad station and collapsed.

1217
00:57:55,450 --> 00:58:00,220
And they took him to GW, but
he was braindead already.

1218
00:58:00,220 --> 00:58:03,280
And they asked me then
if we really vigorous

1219
00:58:03,280 --> 00:58:04,630
wanted to revive him.

1220
00:58:04,630 --> 00:58:08,120
And I said, if he has
no brain function, no.

1221
00:58:08,120 --> 00:58:12,620
And then he died in the night.

1222
00:58:12,620 --> 00:58:15,040
And he was gone.

1223
00:58:15,040 --> 00:58:17,240
And he was buried-- you
said, buried in Arlington.

1224
00:58:17,240 --> 00:58:17,980
Yeah.

1225
00:58:17,980 --> 00:58:23,494
So we were married for
50 years and five months.

1226
00:58:23,494 --> 00:58:24,410
Oh, yeah.

1227
00:58:24,410 --> 00:58:25,210
Yeah.

1228
00:58:25,210 --> 00:58:27,180
That was a shock.

1229
00:58:27,180 --> 00:58:29,860
Yeah, yeah.

1230

00:58:29,860 --> 00:58:32,060

It was very strange.