

Ann Grauman

Side A

Born Lodz, Poland - July 15, 1918. Attended School (name unclear).
1939 - went to Ghetto - cold winter. Three to four families per apartment.
Little water for bathing and cooking. Ghetto closed and began to get
organized under President Zenchowsky (unsure of spelling) Terrible hunger-
stepfather, 2 sisters and brother died from hunger. -1944. She and mother
worked all kinds of places. Mother taken out of Ghetto and put in jail.
Ann had a dream to get medicine to mother. Went to jail, no Germans
stop her. She and mother escaped from jail through help of friend. Went
back to their apartment. Few months later Sonderkommando took her out
and left mother. Ann went to work in munitions factory. Met family member
and his friend - ended up marrying the friend. Future husband worked in
kitchen - worked out a trade with someone - leather for food. Germans
found about deal - he was sent to death camp. Girl who was friendly with
Sonderkommando worked out a deal for Ann to bring future husband back.
Stayed together as Germans started to transport people out - they never
got on one. Went back to Lodtz - Ghetto liquidated - people went to
Aushwitz. Went to her old home and found family pictures and clothing and
religious objects. Stayed there until Russians came. Husband had a
money making business. Polish soldier helped them to get to Germany.
Doesn't understand why mother did not go with her. Ann only family member
to survive.