

RG-50.120 #040 1 Tape
Freed. Rivka

- 1.01.36.14 Born 1 July 1923 in Lodz Poland. 1938 came to France [Paris] with mother, brother and twin sister, to join the father who had come 5 years earlier.
- 1.04.43.10 1939 War started – no more school, studies or work for Jews.
- 1.09.21.11 1940 Occupation, restriction of freedom.
- 1.11.44.05 1940 – lots of collaborating between French and Germans.
- 1.19.29.21 1940 – brother was arrested, the shock of the arrest killed the father [who was weak].
- 1.22.05.17 Left for Lyon with brother, sister and husband and baby in 1940. Free zone.
- 1.37.43.14 1942 – She is already in the resistance, also brother [Simon] and brother-in-law.
FTP ‘Frontier Partisan Francais’. MOE ‘Movement Ouvrier Emigre’. Liason agent between regional command [weapons, papers, etc.].
- 1.41.49.11 To obtain weapons and uniforms they had to kill Germans.
- 1.44.09.20 In her resistance group: French Jews of Polish, Russian and Hungarian origin.
- 1.47.56.00 1943, left for Grenoble to organize a command for people to enter the resistance.
- 1.49.48.12 Went to Marseilles, also Nice, dropped bags with weapons and papers.
- 1.54.50.01-2.20.40.01 Talks about her background, family and Poland, education, etc.
- 2.20.41.17 Heard mother was deported.
- 2.28.26.02 Talks about brother Simon imprisonment and torture; he never talked. Was executed 3 November 1943. Talks about her work in the resistance.
- 2.58.21.13 Thinks the Jewish resistance was exploited. Talks more about the resistance; she liked the Italians.
- 3.05.28.20 1944, She blew up a ‘blok haus’ in front of a Gestapo held building with a bomb [Nice]; was then moved to Marseilles by underground.

- 3.11.30.18 To get to her 'rendez-vous' she had to hitchhike. 2 Gestapo officers gave her a ride.
- 3.18.48.10 Talks about the medal she received in 1982 for her service in the resistance. 'Croir de guerre' with swords.
- 3.24.17.05-3.43.02.15 1st marriage in 1950 with Solly Grunfogel who moved with his family from Berlin to Paris. Talks about his wartime and arrest in 1944 and his deportation to Auschwitz.
- 3.43.02.15 From 1943 til liberation she was in Marseilles, then moved back to Paris. Started looking for parents, even in Germany, hospitalized. Took any job she could find. Talks about husband and family.
- 4.01.29.10 End of tape while she was talking.