

HOLOCAUST SURVIVORS IN KENTUCKY INTERVIEW PROJECT

INTERVIEWEE INFORMATION

Sylvia Green

Residence: Winchester, KY.

Length of interview: approximately 6 hours.

Date(s) of interview: 1/11/96; 4/22/99

Related resources:

- A transcript has been made of tapes 1-3 by the US Holocaust Memorial Museum.

Evaluation/further information about interview:

Sylvia Green was born in Karlsruhe am Rein, Germany, in 1924. She is a survivor of Krakow ghetto and of Plaszow, Auschwitz, and Bergen-Belsen concentration camps. She had relatives in Lexington, and moved there after the war. "My world crumbled pretty quick when I came to the US and found out that the world knew [about the Holocaust] and didn't do anything about it," she says. She married Jack Green, of Winchester (now deceased). Adjusting to Winchester was difficult: "People didn't like strangers," she says. She didn't talk about her wartime experiences until 1983, when she made a documentary with Otis Singletary.

This interview focuses on Ms. Green's pre-war and wartime experiences, as well as her life after the war, and her adjustment to living in Winchester in particular.