

## **Summary of Oral History: Rachel Goldfarb**

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Rachel Goldfarb (née Mutterperl), born in 1930 in the town of Dokszyce, Poland (now Dokshytsy, Belarus), describes her mother's fabric store in front of their house; her younger brother Shlomo, who did not survive the Holocaust; her father dying before WWII and her mother taking over his food supply business; the Soviet Union occupation of Dokszyce in September 1939 and her mother having to dismantle her fabric business; her mother bartering with farmers for food, and sharing their house with another family; Germany taking control in 1941 and Jews being told to wear yellow stars; the forming of the Dokszyce Jewish ghetto in a market square with about 3,000 Jews; mass execution of Jews in 1942; her family escaping the ghetto and going into hiding; learning her younger brother Shlomo had been murdered; staying with friends in the Głębokie (Hlybokaye) ghetto; working in a spinning mill to get a ration of food; joining armed partisans in a forest outside Głębokie; becoming ill with typhus; liberation; traveling across Europe to displaced persons camps in Italy; learning the war had ended; staying in the town of Santa Cesarea in southern Italy; moving to a transit camp in Bari, Italy, and an aunt getting visa to America for them.