

Debora Sachs Jacobovits' timeline from her oral testimony, compiled by her sons Mayer Jacobovits and Milu Jacobovits

Date Gregorian	Date Hebrew	Location	Major Event
March-40		Background historical info to help understand these events.	Bessarabia transferred from Romania to the Soviet Union. Secret Part of the Molotov Ribentrop Pact.
June-40			Transylvania Partition - Maramuresh was transferred to Hungary. Secret Part of the Molotov Ribentrop Pact.
June 26,1940			June 26, 1940 Soviet government issues ultimatum that Romania give up Bessarabia and Northern Bukovina within a few days.
September 13,1940			"annexation of Northern Transylvania was completed by September 13" https://www.ushmm.org/m/pdfs/20080226-romania-commission-transylvania.pdf
Sunday, March 19, 1944			Operation Margarethe: Hungary was occupied by Germany, ending its allied status and protection of Jews from the Holocaust.
Sunday, September 15, 1940			Start of events.
Saturday, April 15, 1944	22nd of Nisan, 5704	Poeni	Sunday - Eighth day of Pessah; Yizkor Mentioned on Tape 1 at 13:25
Sunday, April 16, 1944		Poeni	Deportation Starts Mom kicked out of her home but stays in Poeni 3 more weeks. Mentioned on Tape 1 at 14:50
Sunday, May 7, 1944		Visheu	Arrival in Visheu ghetto. Mentioned on Tape 1 at 17:15
Friday May 19, 1944		Visheu	Embarks on train to Auschwitz (" A total of 12,079 people were deported from Vişeu de Jos and Vişeu de Sus, in four transports that left between May 19 and May 25, 1944."
Sunday, May 21, 1944	28th of Yiar	Auschwitz	Mom's mother (Rachel) Yahrzeit - also the most likely day of arrival at Auschwitz and fits Mom's narative 8 days before Shevuot. Mentioned on Tape 1 at 19:28
Sunday May 28,1944		Auschwitz	Sunday - Monday Shavuot
Sunday, July 2, 1944		Auschwitz	Best estimate of Mom's departure from Auschwitz (based on Mom's statement that she was 6 weeks in Auschwitz)
Wednesday, July 5, 1944		Gelsenkirchen	Arrival in Gelsenkirchen. Mentioned on Tape 1 at 32:55
Sunday, July 30, 1944	9'th of Av, 5704	Gelsenkirchen	Tisha b'Av 1944 mentioned on Tape 2 at: 9:11
Wednesday, September 13, 1944		Gelsenkirchen	Mentioned on Tape 2 at: 12:12. Actually it was September 11 based on http://www.gelsenzentrum.de/gelsenberg_lager.htm Page 4
Saturday, September 16, 1944		Sommerda	Arrival in Sommerda http://www.gelsenzentrum.de/gelsenberg_lager.htm Page 4
Wednesday, September 27, 1944	10'th of Tishrei, 5705	Soemmerda	Yom Kippur 1944 mentioned on Tape 2 at: 22:49
October-44			Maramuresh transferred back to Romania, as part of the Treaty of Paris, at the end of WWII
Sunday, December 10, 1944		Soemmerda	First day of Hannukah
Monday, December 18, 1944		Soemmerda	Last day of Hannukah
Jan-45		Soemmerda	Mentioned on Tape 2: 25:12
Wednesday, March 28, 1945		Soemmerda	Fist day of Pessah: mentioned on Tape 2 at: 32:44
Monday, April 2, 1945		Soemmerda	Leave Sommerda: Tape 2 at 34:49
Thursday, April 5, 1945		Soemmerda	Last day of Pessah
Wednesday, April 11, 1945		Buchenwald	US 3'rd Army Liberates Buchenwald
Friday, April 13, 1945		Germany	Mentioned in Tape 3 at 4:11
			Mom meets the Americans. Mentioned in Tape 3 at 6:20
Tuesday, May 8, 1945		Germany	Europe Liberation Day, Mentioned in Tape 3 at 12:44
Friday, June 22, 1945		Chemnitz	Order to leave American controlled area, Mentioned in Tape 3 at 21:04
Friday, July 20, 1945		Budapest	My best estimate of Mom's arrival in Budapest
		Budapest	Mom meets Dad in Budapest. Mentioned in Tape 3 at 28:04
Saturday, August 11, 1945		Sighet	My best estimate of Mom's arrival in Sighet back under Romanian control
		Petrova	Mom works for the Stauber Family
			Mom meets Dad in Petrova. Mentioned in Tape 3 at 40:00
		Poeni	Mom spends the winter 1945-1946 there working for another rich family - likely not Jewish
Spring 1946		Sighet	Dad proposes to Mom. Mentioned in Tape 3 at 41:55
Friday, July 5, 1946		Nanesti	Mom marries Dad