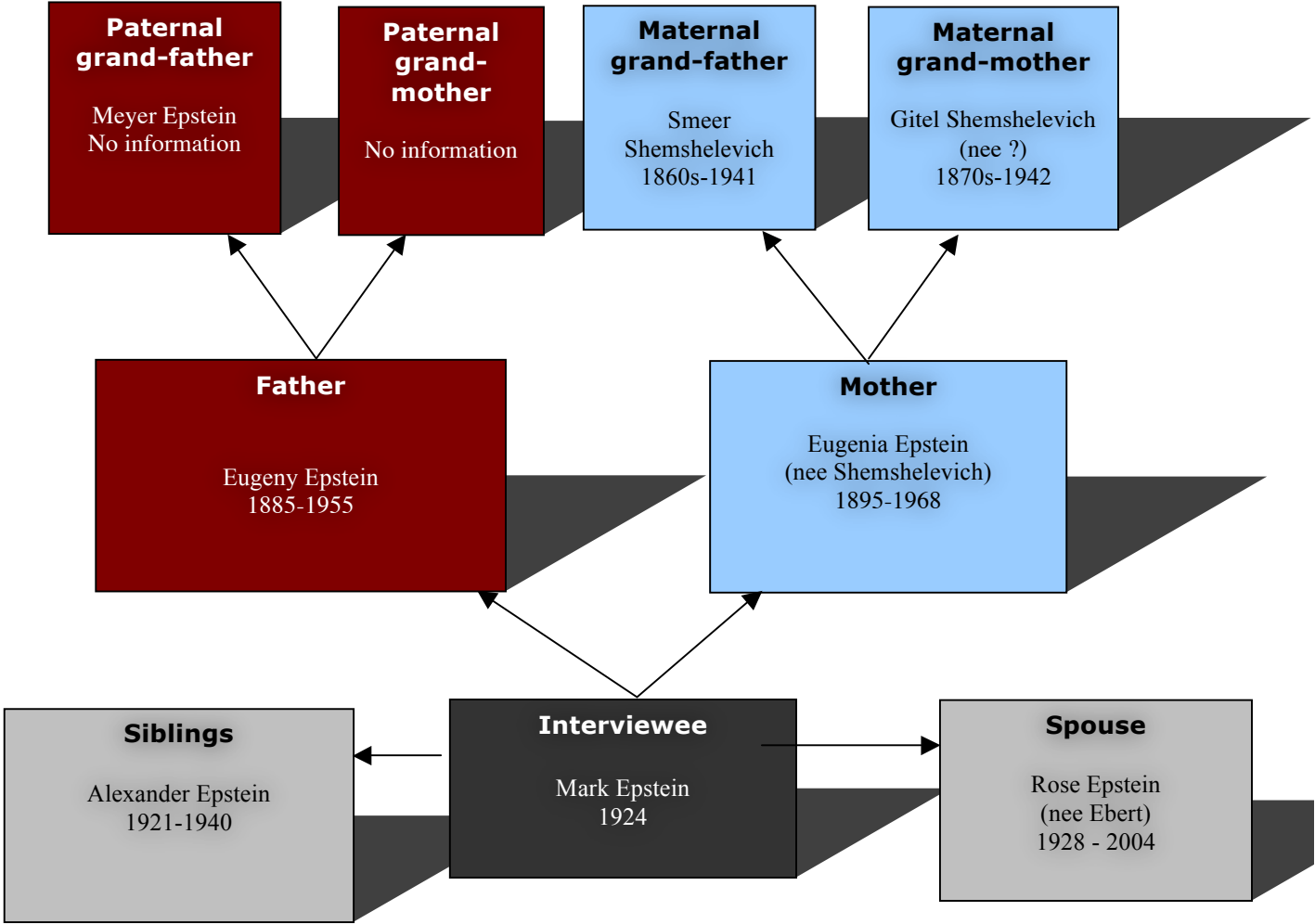


Family Tree



The interviewee and his family

Full name

Mark Epstein

Where and when were you born?

Leningrad, 1924

Where else did you live?

Tula

Your educational level?

The Leningrad College of Cinema Engineers

What sort of work do/did you do?

Director of the technical school

Assistant manager at the Leningrad Palace of Pioneers

Teacher of physics

What was the level of religiosity in your parent's home? How were you raised?

Grandfather was a real devotee. He observed Tradition. If I came from school with sandwiches, grandfather used to comment on it that I should never eat sandwiches. Grandfather attended the synagogue, prayed at home, celebrated every Jewish holiday including Shabbath. Grandmother helped grandfather to observe traditions, but I consider her to be not religious. I think that grandmother did not attend the synagogue.

My father was also religious, but he was not fanatic. He attended a synagogue, celebrated Jewish holidays (especially Pesach). Mom was not religious. And I grew up an atheist. In the family of my wife they did not celebrate Jewish holidays.

What is your mother tongue?

Russian

How many languages do you speak?

Russian

Where were you during the Holocaust?

In the besieged Leningrad, at the front-line

Siblings

Their names

Alexander Epstein (m)

Where and when were they born?

Leningrad, 1921

What is their mother tongue?

Russian

Their educational level?

Secondary school

Their occupations?

A schoolboy

Where do/did they live?

Leningrad

Where else did they live?

Do they have children?

No

Where and when did they die?

Leningrad, 1940

Spouse

Name?

Rose Epstein (nee Ebert)

Where and when was he/she born?

Leningrad, 1928

Where else did he live?

Is he/she Jewish?

Yes

What is his/her mother tongue?

Russian

His/her educational level?

The Leningrad College of Foreign Languages

Occupation?

A teacher of French and English languages

Where and when did they die?

St. Petersburg, 2004

Father

His name?

Eugeny Epstein

Where and when was he was born?

Velizh (now Belarus), 1885

Where else did he live?

Leningrad, Luga

Where and when did he die?

Leningrad, 1955

What sort of education did he have?

No information

What sort of work did he do?

A tailor

What was his level of religiosity?

My father was religious, but he was not fanatic. He attended a synagogue, celebrated Jewish holidays (especially Pesach). Mom was not religious. And I grew up an atheist.

What was his mother tongue?

Russian, Yiddish

Army service: Which army and what years?

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Tell me about his brothers and sisters. (name, date of birth and death, occupation, place of residence, family, etc.)

Tsilye (f) was a therapist, her husband Samuil Karpovich was a lecturer at the Medical College, and their son Victor (he is 71 years old at present) works as a plasma metal cutting engineer.

Zhenya (f) was a singer and worked at a musical school, her husband's name was Victor Markovich. They had got a son Boris. They all are not alive by now.

Rose (f) worked with children at a kindergarten, she was not married.

Sonya (f) and her husband Ilya died already. Their son Izya was knocked down by a tram when he was 4 years old. Their daughter Galina is now 86 years old and her health is very poor.

Where was he during the Holocaust?

In the besieged Leningrad

Paternal grandfather

Your father's father name?

Meyer Epstein

Where and when was he born?

Velizh (now Belarus), no information

Where else did he live?

No information

Where and when did he die?

No information

What sort of education did he have?

No information

What sort of work did he do?

No information

What was his level of religiosity?

No information

What was his mother tongue?

No information

Army service: Which army and what years?

No information

Tell me about his brothers and sisters. (name, date of birth and death, occupation, place of residence, family, etc.)

No information

Where was he during the Holocaust?

Died before

Paternal grandmother

Your father's mother's name?

No information

Where and when was she born?

No information

Where else did she live?

No information

Where and when did she die?

No information

What sort of education did she have?

No information

What sort of work did she do?

No information

What was her level of religiosity?

No information

What was her mother tongue?

No information

Tell me about her brothers and sisters. (name, date of birth and death, occupation, place of residence, family, etc.)

No information

Where was she during the Holocaust?

No information

Mother

Her name?

Eugenia Epstein (nee Shemshelevich)

Where and when was she was born?

Revel (now Tallin, Estonia), 1895

Where else did she live?

Leningrad, Luga

Where and when did she die?

Leningrad, 1968

What sort of education did she have?

Secondary school

What sort of work did she do?

A milliner, a housewife

What was her level of religiosity?

She was not religious.

What was her mother tongue?

Estonian, Russian

Tell me about her brothers and sisters. (name, date of birth and death, occupation, place of residence, family, etc.)

Dina (f) was born in Leningrad (no more information)

David (m) was born in Leningrad in 1906 (no more information)

Where was she during the Holocaust?

In the Besieged Leningrad

Maternal grandfather

Your mother's father's name?

Smeer Shemshelevich

Where and when was he born?

No information, 1860s

Where else did he live?

Revel (now Tallin, Estonia), St. Petersburg (Leningrad)

Where and when did he die?

Leningrad, 1941

What sort of education did he have?

No information

What sort of work did he do?

A shoemaker

What was his level of religiosity?

Grandfather was a real devotee. He observed Tradition. If I came from school with sandwiches, grandfather used to comment on it that I should never eat sandwiches. Grandfather attended the synagogue, prayed at home, celebrated every Jewish holiday including Shabbath. Grandfather had a beard, and he put on his kippah only when he prayed.

What was his mother tongue?

Russian, Yiddish

Army service: Which army and what years?

No information

Tell me about his brothers and sisters. (name, date of birth and death, occupation, place of residence, family, etc.)

No information

Where was he during the Holocaust?

In the besieged Leningrad

Maternal grandmother

Your mother's mother's name?

Gitel Shemshelevich (nee ?)

Where and when was she born?

No information 1870s

Where else did she live?

Revel (now Tallin, Estonia), St. Petersburg (Leningrad)

Where and when did she die?

Leningrad, 1942

What sort of education did she have?

No information

What sort of work did she do?

A housewife

What was her level of religiosity?

Grandmother was not religious, she did not wear a wig.

What was her mother tongue?

Russian, Yiddish

Tell me about her brothers and sisters. (name, date of birth and death, occupation, place of residence, family, etc.)

No information

Where was she during the Holocaust?

In the besieged Leningrad