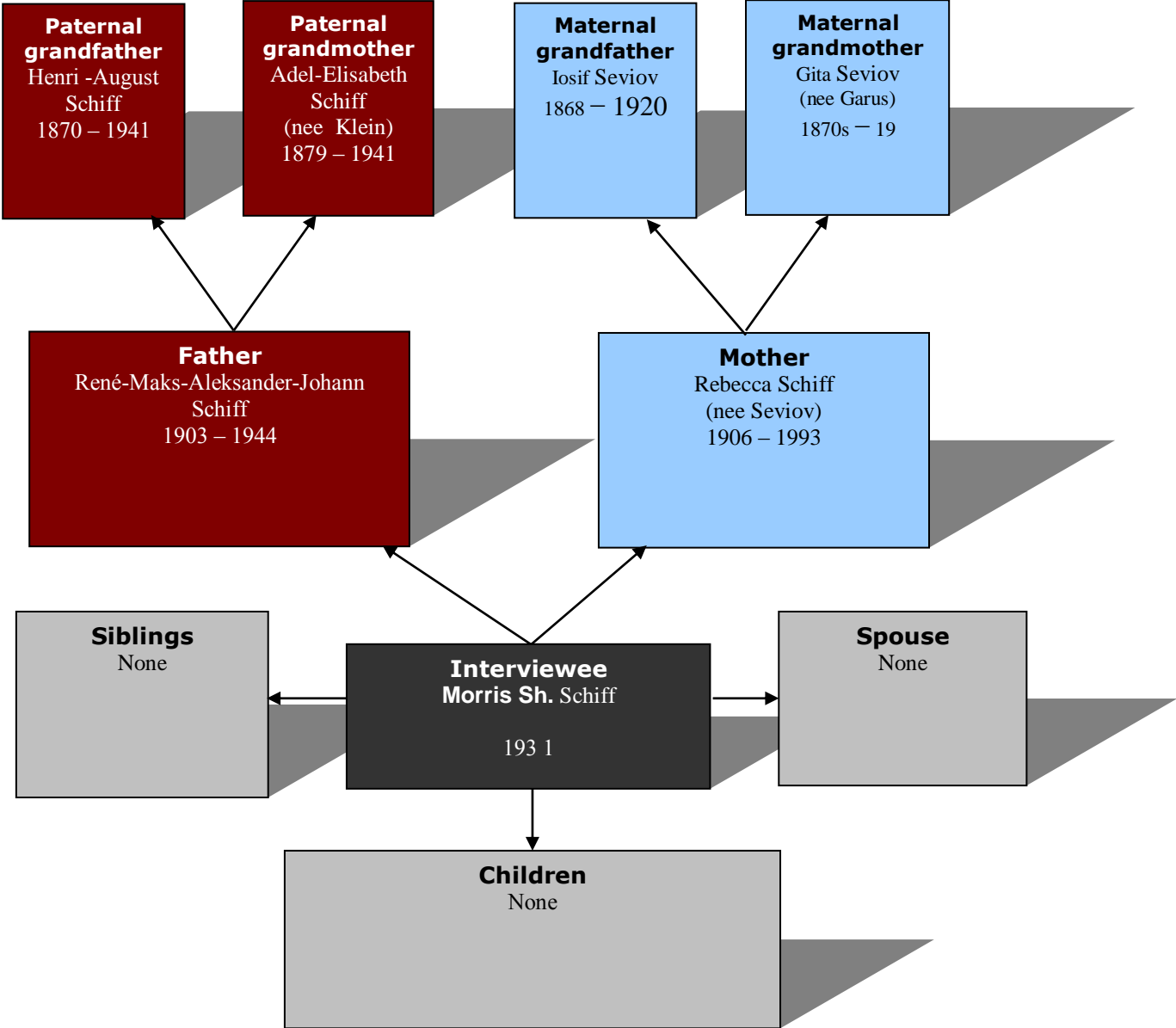


Family Tree



The interviewee and his family

Full name

Morris Schiff

Where and when were you born?

Nõmme (Tallinn suburb, Estonia)

1931 July 27

Where else did you live?

Tallinn, Nizhnyaya Uvelka (Russia), Tashkent (Uzbekistan)

Your educational level?

I finished 5 grades of Russian compulsory school

What sort of work do/did you do?

Clock mender

How religious was your parents' home? How were you raised?

Parents were rather religious, marked Sabbath and Jewish holidays at home, father went to the synagogue on Jewish holidays. Other than that, they did not stick to Jewish rites, did not observe kashrut

What is your mother tongue?

Estonian

What other languages do you speak?

Russian, German

If you were in an army, tell us which army and the dates

June-July 1961, draft in the army

Where were you during the Holocaust?

Evacuation: Nizhnyaya Uvelka, Tashkent

What did you do after the Holocaust?

Came back in Tallinn, studied, then work, currently retired

Siblings

Their names

None

Spouse

Name?

None

Children

Their names?

None

Father

His name?

René-Maks-Aleksander-Johann Schiff

Where and when was he born?

Valga (Russia)

1903 November 11

Where else did he live?

Vienna (Austria), Tallinn (Estonia)

Where and when did he die?

Tashkent

1944, December 19

What sort of education did he have?

Father finished 3v courses of Tartu university

What sort of work did he do?

Worked as traveling salesman. Was in charge of the store since 1940

How religious was he?

Father was rather religious. He marked Sabbath and Jewish holidays at home, went to the synagogue on Jewish holidays. He did not observe kashrut

What was his mother tongue?

German

Army service: which army and what years?

Soviet Army, 1941-1944

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

name	place and date of birth/death	occupation	biographical data and origins of spouse	biographical data of children	describe how religious they were
Brother ? Schiff	Valga 1910 – Narva 1944	No information	No information	No information	No information

Where was he during the Holocaust?

Since beginning of war father was in labor camps, since 1942 he was a supply officer in Estonian corps of Red army, his rank was captain. He died during his leave in Tashkent

Paternal grandfather

Your paternal grandfather's name?

Heinrik-August Schiff

Where and when was he born?

Vienna (Austro-Hungary)

1870 January 03

Where else did he live?

Valga, Tallinn

Where and when did he die?

Tallinn

1941

What sort of education did he have?

No information

What sort of work did he do?

Grandfather was the owner of a café at Valga train station and in Tallinn club of Swartz Kopf

How religious was he?

Was not religious

What was his mother tongue?

No information

Army service: which army and what years?

No information

Tell me about his brothers and sisters.

name	place and date of birth/death	occupation	biographical data and origins of spouse	biographical data of children	describe how religious they were
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No
information

Where was he during the Holocaust?

Died before

Paternal grandmother

Your paternal grandmother's name?

Adele-Elisabeth Schiff (nee Klein)

Where and when was she born?

Vienna

1879, December 08

Where else did she live?

Valga, Tallinn

Where and when did she die?

Tallinn

1941 September

What sort of education did she have?

No information

What sort of work did she do?

Housewife

How religious was she?

Grandmother was baptized in childhood, but she was not religious, observed no religious traditions

What was her mother tongue?

German

Tell me about his brothers and sisters.

name	place and date of birth/death	occupation	biographical data and origins of spouse	biographical data of children	describe how religious they were
Brother Morris Klein	? - USA ?	No information	Single	No children	No information

Grandmother
had some more
sisters. I do not
even know their
names

Where was she during the Holocaust?

Stayed in Tallinn, was shot by fascist in September 1941

Mother

Her name?

Rebecca Schiff (nee Sevirov)

Where and when was she born?

Narva (Estonia)

1906 February 01

Where else did she live?

Tallinn

Where and when did she die?

Tallinn

1993 February 28

What sort of education did she have?

Mother finished 3 or 4 classes of elementary Jewish school

What sort of work did she do?

Manicurist

How religious was she?

Mother was rather religious, marked Sabbath and Jewish holidays, went to the synagogue on Sabbath and Jewish holidays. Kashrut was not observed at home

What was her mother tongue?

Yiddish

Tell me about his brothers and sisters.

name	place and date of birth/death	occupation	biographical data and origins of spouse	biographical data of children	describe how religious they were
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Brother Isaac Sevirov	Narva 1900 - Stalingrad 1943 (was killed in action)	worker	Single	No children	Atheist
Sister Esfir Frank (nee Sevirov)	Narva 1902 -	Housewife	Husband Abram Frank Latvia ? - Tallinn 1970s	Son Iosif Frank Tallinn 1923 Daughter Sarah Frank Tallinn 1930	Esfir observed Jewish traditions, marked Sabbath and Jewish holidays, went to the synagogue on Sabbath and Jewish holidays
Brother Lazar Sevirov	Narva 1907 — Tallinn 1992	Worker before war, during soviet time took management positions in commerce	Wife Sarah Sevirov (nee ?) 1910s - Tallinn 1994	No children	Atheist
Brother Mulya Sevirov	Narva 1909 - Tallinn 1936	Worker	Single	No children	No information
Brother Abram Sevirov	Narva 1910s - front, 1941	Worker	Single	No children	No information
Sister Ida ? (nee Sevirov)	Narva 1910e - Tallinn 1989	Housewife	Husband Isaac? ? – 1970s	No children	Before war Ida observed Jewish traditions, marked Sabbath and Jewish holidays, went to the synagogue, was atheist after war

Where was she during the Holocaust?

Evacuation: Nizhnyaya Uvelka, Tashkent

If she survived, what did she do after?

Lived in Tallinn, worked as a manicurist, then retired

Maternal grandfather

Your maternal grandfather's name?

Josef Sevirov

Where and when was he born?

Gdov (Pskov oblast, Russia)

1868

Where else did he live?

Narva

Where and when did he die?

Narva

1920

What sort of education did he have?

No information

What sort of work did he do?

Tailor

How religious was he?

Grandfather was religious, observed Jewish traditions, went to the synagogue daily, ,marked Sabbath and Jewish holidays at home, and observed kashrut.

What was his mother tongue?

Yiddish

Army service: which army and what years?

No information

Tell me about his brothers and sisters.

name	place and date of birth/death	occupation	biographical data and origins of spouse	biographical data of children	describe how religious they were
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No
information

Where was he during the Holocaust?

Died before

Maternal grandmother

Your maternal grandmother's name?

Gita Sevirov (nee Garus)

Where and when was she born?

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1870s

Where else did she live?

Narva, Tallinn

Where and when did she die?

Tashkent

1943

What sort of education did she have?

No information

What sort of work did she do?

Housewife

How religious was she?

Grandmother was religious, observed Jewish traditions, went to the synagogue on Sabbath and Jewish holidays, and observed kashrut.

What was her mother tongue?

Yiddish

Tell me about his brothers and sisters.

name	place and date of birth/death	occupation	biographical data and origins of spouse	biographical data of children	describe how religious they were
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No
information

Where was she during the Holocaust?

Evacuation: Nizhnyaya Uvelka, Tashkent

If she survived what did she do after?

Died by hunger in Tashkent in 1943