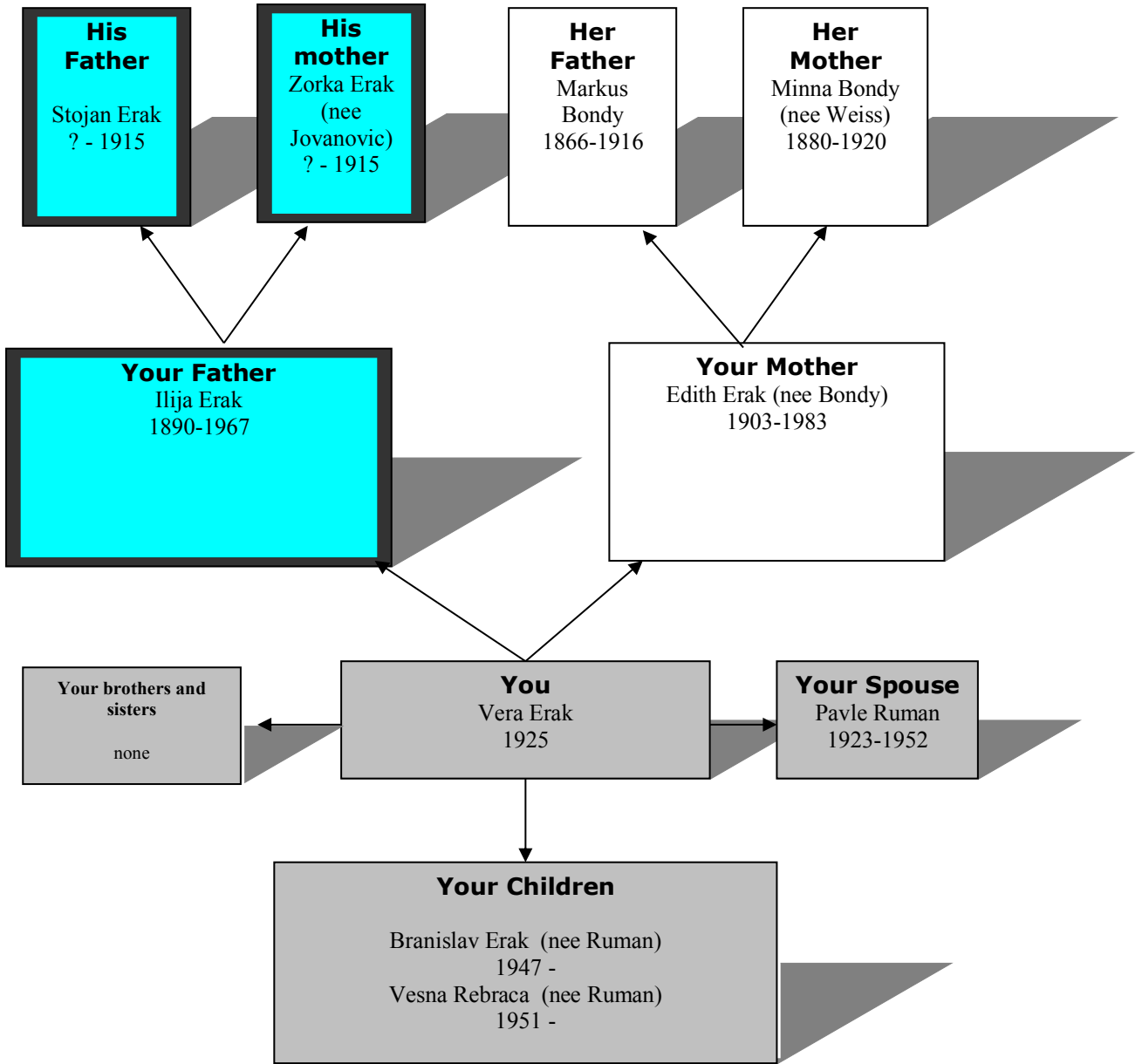
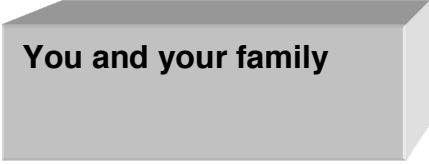


**Your family tree**





**You and your family**

*Your full name*

Vera Erak

*Where and when were you born?*

Zemun, 1925

*Where else did you live?*

Dubrovnik (Croatia), Pozarevac

*Your educational level?*

University-level specialist's training

*What sort of work do/did you do?*

Typist

*What was the level of religiosity in your parents' home? How were you raised?*

Not too observant. I am not religious but I observe all the holidays.

*What is your mother tongue?*

Serbian

*How many languages do you speak?*

German

*Where were you during the Holocaust?*

From 1941 to 1943 I was a refugee in Pozarevac with my parents, and from 1943 to 1945 with the Partisans.

**Your spouse**

*Name?*

Pavle Ruman

*Where and when was he/she born?*

Pivnice, 1923

*Where else did he live?*

Zemun

*Is he/she Jewish?*

No

*What is his/her mother tongue?*

Serbian

*His/her educational level?*

Military High School

*Occupation?*

Clerk

*Where and when did he/she die?*

Zemun, 1952

**Your children**

*Their names?*

Branislav

Vesna

*Were they raised Jewish/do they identify themselves as Jews?*

Yes, they were sent to Jewish camps and the family kept the Jewish holidays at home

*Where and when were they born?*

Branislav - Zemun, 1947

Vesna - Zemun, 1951

*Their educational level?*

Branislav completed a two-year electrical college

Vesna completed a two-year medical college

*Their occupations?*

Branislav - engineer

Vesna - nurse

*How many grandchildren do you have?*

None

## Your father

*His name?*

Ilija Erak

*Where and when was he was born?*

Zemun, 1890

*Where else did he live?*

Dubrovnik and Pozarevac

*Where and when did he die?*

Zemun, 1967

*What sort of education did he have?*

Graduated from the Commercial Academy

*What sort of work did he do?*

Merchant

*What was his level of religiosity?*

Not religious

*What was his mother tongue?*

Serbian

*Army service: Which army and what years?*

Royal Serbian Army, 1914

*Where was he during the Holocaust?*

He was a refugee in Pozarevac

*If he survived, what did he do after?*

Worked as the head of a warehouse

## Your father's family

### His father

*Your father's father name?*

Stojan Erak

*Where and when was he born?*

Bele Vode (Banija, Croatia), no date known

*Where else did he live?*

Zemun

*Where and when did he die?*

Marseilles, 1915

*What sort of education did he have?*

Graduated from secondary school

*What sort of work did he do?*

Manager of a Zemun high school building

*What was his level of religiosity?*

No information

*What was his mother tongue?*

Serbian

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

I only know that he had two brothers, Stevan and Dusan

**His mother**

*Your father's mother's name?*

Zorka Erak (nee Jovanovic)

*Where and when was she born?*

Somewhere in Macedonia, date unknown

*Where and when did she die?*

Skadar, 1915

*What sort of work did she do?*

Seamstress

*What was her level of religiosity?*

No information

*What was her mother tongue?*

Macedonian

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

She had a sister and a brother. Her brother was Milorad Jovanovic, who was a tailor. He died in Novi Sad in 1953.

## Your Mother

*Her name?*

Edith Erak (nee Bondy)

*Where and when was she was born?*

Zemun, 1903

*Where else did she live?*

Dubrovnik and Pozarevac

*Where and when did she die?*

Zemun, 1983

*What sort of education did she have?*

Graduated from a high school for girls in Zemun and then from college in Vienna

*What sort of work did she do?*

Housewife

*What was her level of religiosity?*

Religious: celebrated all the holidays at home and went to the synagogue  
regularly

*What was her mother tongue?*

German

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

Jakob: born in 1901 in Zemun. He attended the Faculty of Economics in Belgrade.  
He was the commercial director of a Belgrade firm, then was taken to Jasenovac  
in 1941. He did not return.

Robert: born in 1902 in Zemun, he graduated from the Commercial Academy and  
he worked as a traveling merchant in Belgrade. In 1941 he was taken to  
Jasenovac, from where he did not return.

Greta: born in 1905 in Zemun. She graduated from the Commercial Academy and  
worked as a secretary in Belgrade. She spoke German, French and English. She  
was taken to Dzakovo in 1941.

*Where was she during the Holocaust?*

Pozarevac

*If she survived, what did she do after?*

She was a clerk

**Your Mother's family**

**Her father**

*Your mother's father name?*

Markus Bondy

*Where and when was he born?*

Location unknown, 1866

*Where and when did he die?*

Prokuplje, 1916

*What sort of education did he have?*

He graduated from the Commercial Academy

*What sort of work did he do?*

Merchant

*What was his level of religiosity?*

Religious: celebrated all the holidays at home and went to the synagogue regularly

*What was his mother tongue?*

Hungarian

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

I only know that he had a brother, Lajos



**Her mother**

*Your mother's mother's name?*

Minna Bondy (nee Weiss)

*Where and when was she born?*

Vrpolje, 1880

*Where else did she live?*

Zemun, Belgrade

*Where and when did she die?*

Belgrade, 1920

*What sort of education did she have?*

Preparatory school for housewives

*What sort of work did she do?*

Housewife

*What was her level of religiosity?*

Religious: celebrated all the holidays at home and went to the synagogue regularly

*What was her mother tongue?*

German

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

I only know that she had one brother and one sister.