

✧ NEVER TO BE LOST ✧

In the memory of Joseph Rezek family and
the Uhrineves Jewish Community,

In the Memory of the Schartup family and
the Jewish Community of Valga





"The Jews of our Memorials Congregations are depending on us to remember them as people, as part of the life of the congregation that received their scroll. If we fail to do, they are lost and forgotten in the enormous and unnecessary anonymity of the Shoah_____"

❧ INTRODUCTION ❧

For many years tracing roots and family trees have been in the mode. Unfortunately as Joe was so young when his father died his knowledge of his distant family was limited.

In the early 2000's we were visiting Joe's cousin Pepe (Joseph) in Prague when Pepe who does not talk about his past put a document down in front of us. The document was issued by the Finchley Reform Synagogue in London. This synagogue had adopted the past Uhrineves Jewish Community and were granted care of the synagogues Sefer Torah. In the 1930's there were 45 families living still in Uhrineves and they said 6 members were still alive after the war. The Finchley Reform Synagogue has taken over the care and restoration of the cemetery now also under the auspices of the Prague Jewish Community, as Uhrineves is now part of Prague.

As soon as we returned to Haifa I contacted the Finchley Shul and was put in contact with Mr David Rose. We visited him in London where we were guests at the synagogue and Joe was called up to bless the Torah they had from Uhrineves. Every 12th Sept (or nearest) this shul has a memorial service to remember the Jewish families transported from Uhrineves to Terezin Sept 1942.

David Rose gave us the Archives of the town and helped us make contact with a Mrs. Libuse Votavova in Uhrineves. Libuse was in Grade 1 and was taught by Helena Rezkova until the Germans took over.

After the communists left Prague, Libuse had taken upon herself to make a Jewish area in the Uhrineves Museum and collected a lot of documents and information. From Libuse we learnt much about the family. The synagogue has now been cleaned and is used for commercial purposes but it is cared for .

We regularly visit Pepe and all the family in Prague and visit Libuse who happily gives us new information each time. We converse in schoolgirl French and Libuse's granddaughter translates for us when she can be there.

From all this help I have tried to make a book. What else can I give to my husband for a 80th birthday present.

It is not a book about our lives but about a wonderful family whose memories the Nazis cannot destroy.

Avery Rezek





UHRÍNĚVESKÁ



Uhrineves a small town in the Prague vicinity (now part of Prague), always had one of the largest Jewish settlements in the Prague area. The earliest records of a Jewish Community come around 1670.

A Record shows that in 1702 they had 14 Jews above 10 years of age and 2341 Christians. The cemetery and Synagogue date from about 1848. Most of the Jews were employed in Distillery, wool and small trades. The Nazis had a list of 46 Uhrineves Jews and 341 from the neighbouring area . They were all transported to Terezin in 1942. The largest transport was on Rosh Hashanna 12th September 1942, when 212 Jews were transported including 36 from Uhrineves.





After the war the Synagogue became municipal property. A Torah scroll is on permanent loan to the Finchley reform Synagogue in London.





The Old Synagogue and Today as a municipal building





The graves were vandalised in the late 80's after the communists left. A group of Hooligans took a video of themselves destroying graves...

In 1995 the cemetery was "restored" and a memorial tablet was commissioned with the help of the Uhrineves Community and the Finchley Reform Shul.







Joseph and his brother Oscar were both very active in the Uhrineves community and when Uhrineves was granted the title of a town in 1913, both Joseph and Oscar were amongst the signatories as members of the town's "Elders".





Marie Rezkova (nee Klinerova) born 1803 died 1892.

She was the Mother of Moritz Rezek.

Moritz Rezek b.1833 d.27\02\1903 married Marie Klingerova. Moritz died of heart trouble.

They had 2 sons Joseph and Oscar and a daughter Matylida.

Moritz had a niece Leopoldina who married a Frankel. They had a son Jiri who was in Terezin and Auschwitz and survived the death march from Auschwitz. He returned to Prague and married Blazenka. They moved to England where he taught music. They have 2 sons.

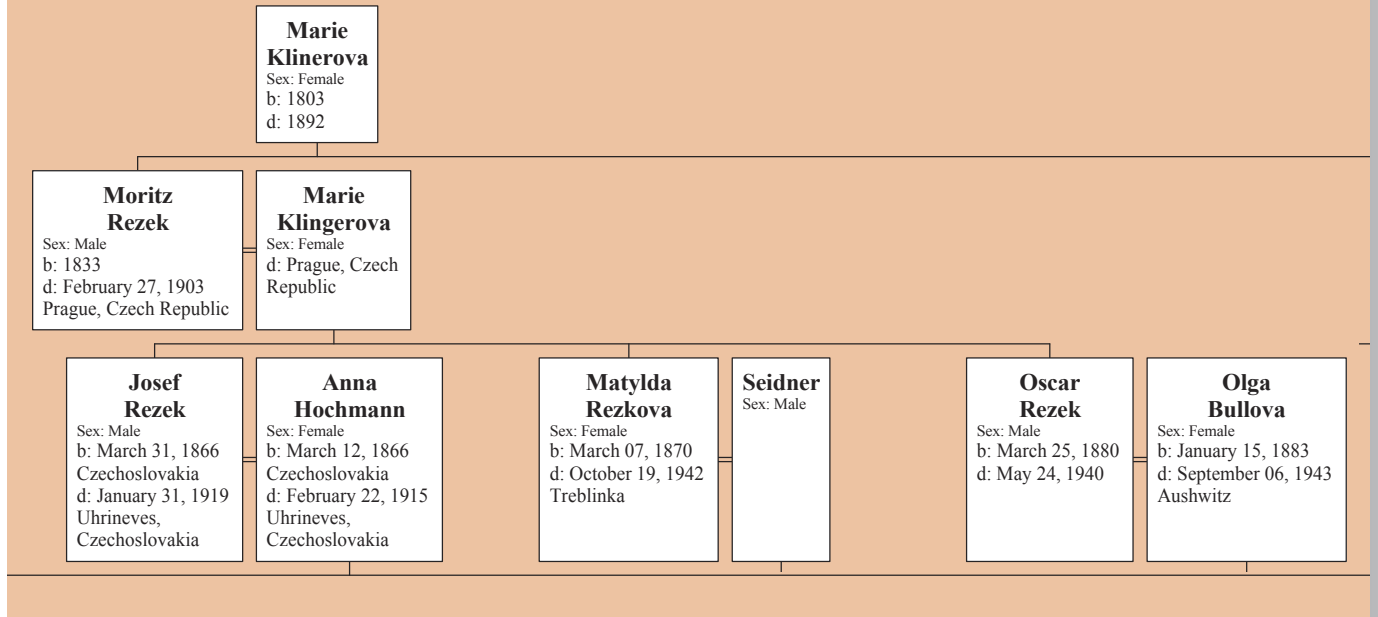


The tomb of Joseph Rezek and Anna Rezek. This tomb was vandalised in the 80's . Only the photos left...





Descendants of Marie Klinero



Probably the stone of Marie, wife of Moritz (מרדכי) Rezek





Josef Rezek (Shamai) b.31\03\1866 in Czech. died in Uhrineves 31\01\1919.
Married Anna Hochmannova (Nechama) b.12\03\1866 in Cz. died 22\02\1915
in Uh.

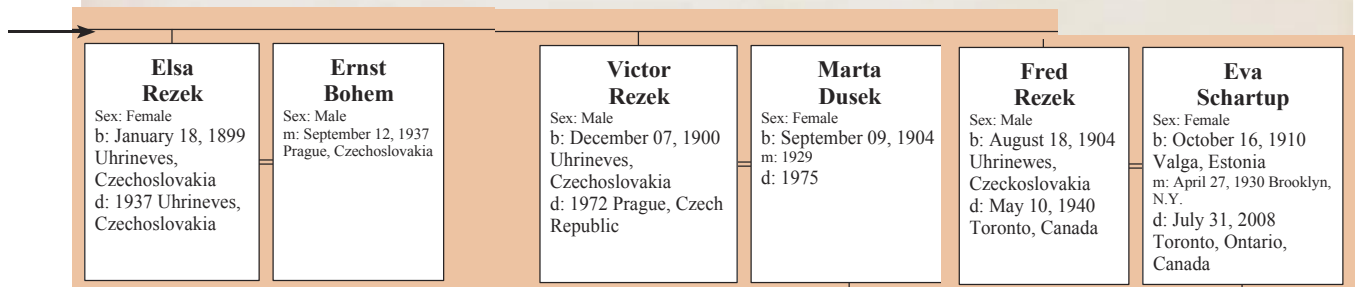
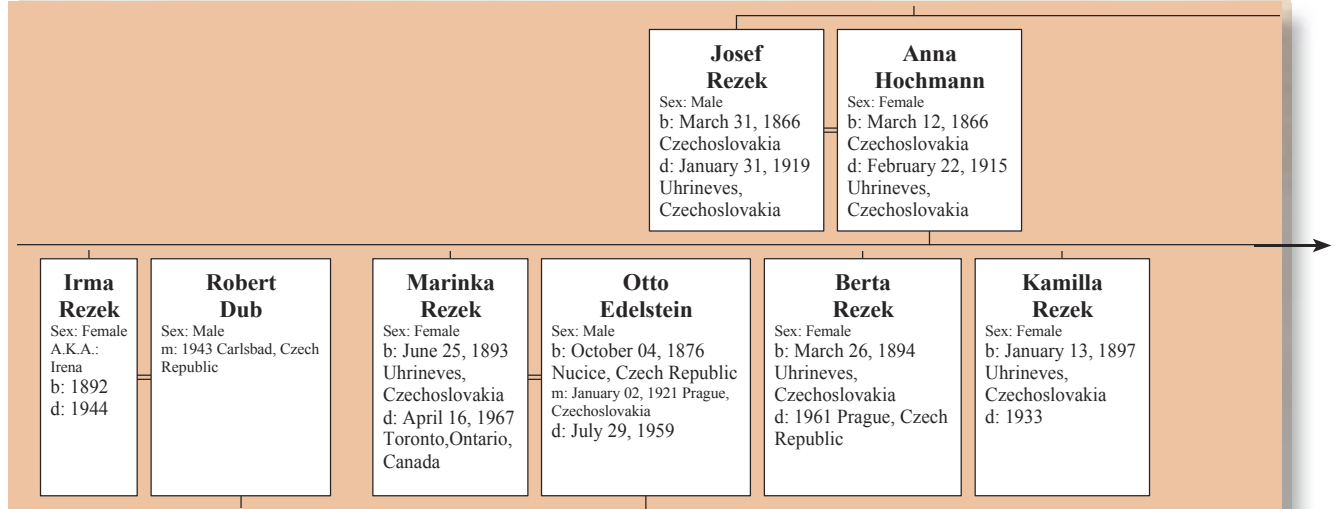
Josephs wife Anna was the daughter of Jonas Hochmann and Sara nee
Krasova. Jonas was a cattle trader.

Joseph Rezek had a general store and bar. Across the road was the
Lichtenstein estate where Joseph was friendly with Joseph Svoboda who
was the steward for Count Lichtenstein. As Uhrineves was a tiny place then,
there were very few telephones and Joseph Rezek used to go and use the
Lichtenstein phone to order his meats etc for the store...

Anna and Josef had the following children:
Irma, Marinka, Berta, Kamilla, Elsa, Victor, Fred

**Rezek Family, 1908: Back row (l to r): Kamilla, Marrie, Irma, Berta, Elsa,
Second Row: Anna and Joseph Rezek, Front: Victor and Frederick Rezek**







The distinguished Elders of the town



**KOPIE JEDINÉHO DOCHOVANÉHO "MALÉHO" TABLA
ZASTUPITELSTVA UHŘETĚVSI Z ROKU 1913.**

Fotografii na kartonu obdržel každý z členů zastupitelstva.
Zhotoveno ve fotoateliéru pana Neumana v Praze 1.

1. horní řada

Otto **SMOLÍK** - MUDr. Antonín **GUT** - Theodor **ŠIMŮNEK** -

- Josef **REZEK**



Joseph was also active in the Synagogue. From 1894 to 1901 he was Treasure of the Synagogue. He was a chairman of the religious congregation from 1910 to 1919. From 1909 to 1912 he was a member of the religious council, from 1912 to 1919 he founded a Joseph Rezek foundation.

At his death in 1919 he was buried in the Uhrineves Jewish cemetery.

Unfortunately after the communists left Czech republic in the early 1990's his grave stone with that of his wife was desecrated by Vandals along with damage and desecration of the cemetery.

Seznamy dárů a příspěvků *číslo 1011/11*

List dárů III 31

Podpisany stovenci, kteří se podíleli na zřízení a udržení hřbitova v Uhrinevské ulici. na den nedele dne 17. srpna 1913. o. J. Hochmiller
Číslo polovní a příjmu a zřízení dárů bylo:

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**Above: Victor, Elsa, Camilla and Fred
Sitting: Berta and Marie**





The house where Marie was born

The new Cemetery in Prague,
'Anna Hochmannova' is Anna Rezkova's maiden name

1912
Josef Rezek appointed chairman
of the community, Adolph
Urbach appointed rabbi.

1924
The town chronicle recorded all
businessmen and tradesmen,
which included the following
Jews: ● Bedřich Adler ran a
general store and textile store
(135 Pražská Street). ● Josef
Rezek owned a general store and
a bar (241 Zámecká Street).
● Ludvík Dux had a textile and
shoe store (71 Pražská Street).





Family of Irma

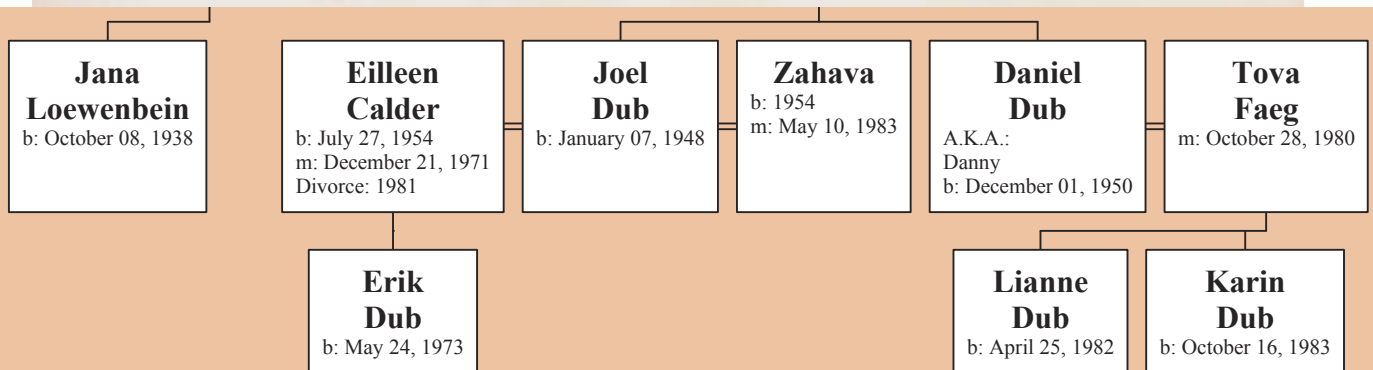
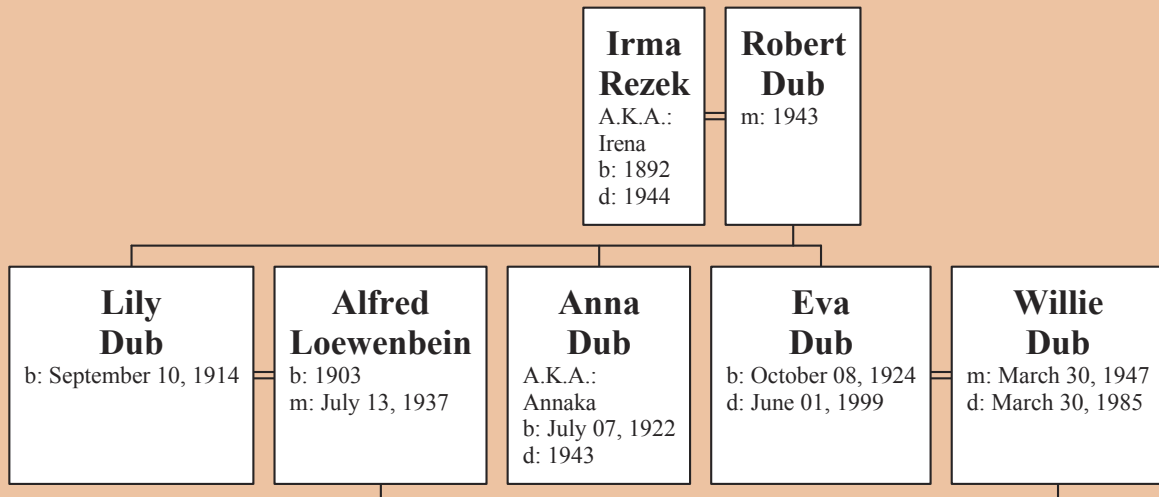


Irma married Robert Dub in Carlsbad Cz





Descendants of Irma Rezek





Irma and her husband were both killed during the war.

Lily b.1914 who married a Alfred Loewenbein. Lily, Alfred and their daughter Jana were all killed during the war.

Anna b. 07/07/1922 Killed by the Nazis

Eva b. 08 /10/1925 Eva survived the war after being in a few concentration camps. She was found by a deserting Jewish Russian soldier - Willie. They got married but took the name Dub so he could not be traced by the Russians and moved to Israel in 1948. They settled in Moshav Gea. Eva was a nurse on the Moshav and Willie had a geese farm where he made Pate du Foie. Willie died in the 80' and Eva in 1/06/1999. They had 2 sons.

Joel Dub b. in Carlsbad 07/01/1948 and Daniel (Danny) born in Israel 01/12/1950. They both live in Gea. Joel works as a border patrolman and for the Nature society. When he served in the army he was a body guard to Ariel Sharon.

With his first wife he had a son Arik b.1974. Arik is now studying Business management. Joel divorced and then married Zahava. No children.

Danny Dub served in the army as a cook and took up Catering as a profession, he married Tova. They have 2 girls Lianne b.25/04/1982 and Karin b.16/10/1983 who are now studying, Lianne psychology and Karin Israel and politics.





The Dub Family: Irma, Eva and Robert, in Front: Anna and Lily



(L to R) Eva, Anna, Lily





Family of Marie



Marie married Otto Edelstein in Cz. and then moved to Vienna.

They had 2 daughters

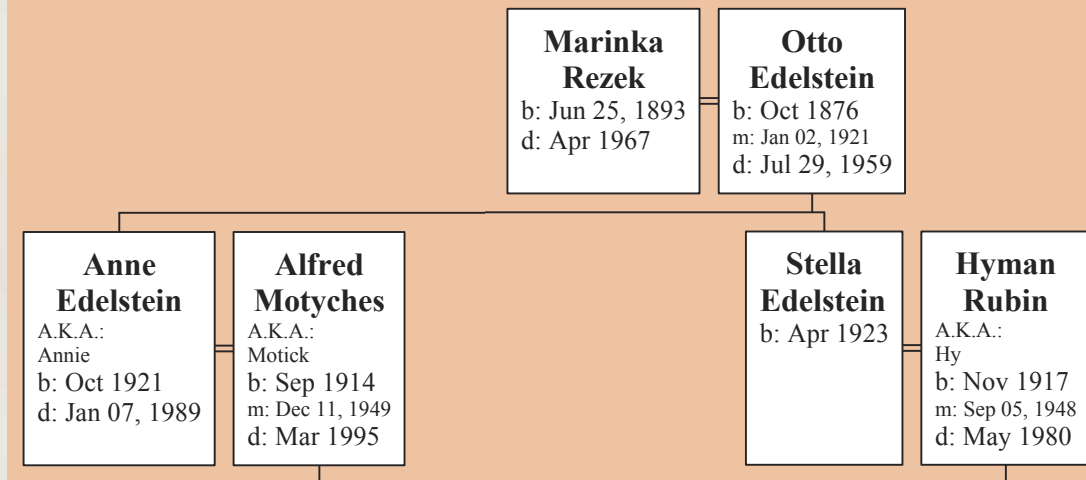
Annie b. Vienna 22/10/1921 d.Toronto 1989

Stella b. Vienna 08/04/1923.





Descendants of Marinka Rezek



Stella and Anna, young girls



Otto Edelstein in Canada





The family got the last transport out of Vienna in 1939. They were helped out by Frederick Rezek who was already in Toronto.

Annie Married Fredrick Motik b. Vienna 24/09/1914, they met in Toronto and had a daughter Diane b.10/01/1954.

Diane a Respiratory technician married Raanan Feldman b. 17/03/1950. They have 2 sons. Ariel Joseph b.1987 and Doron Avraham b. 1989.

Stella married Hy Rubin b 03/11/1917 in New York. In 1946 Hy came to Palestine to work for the illegal immigrants but for family problems had to return home. Stella and Hy married 05/09/1948. They finally made Aliya in 1970 to Rishon Le Zion.

Stella and Hy had 3 children

Avigile Elizabeth b. 28/08/1951, Joseph Frederick b 11/03/1955 (Joey), Sharon Ora .b. 1960. All born in New York.
Hy died 03/05/1980.

Avigile studied art at the Bezalel school and works as a teacher. She married a Yoske Gottlieb b. 15/01/1952 in Rehovot.

They live in Moshav Gea (by coincidence Yoske had an Uncle from whom he inherited land). He studied agriculture and worked at the Weizman institute. They have 4 boys

Yoni b.21/01/1979, Amichai b.08/10/1980, Idan b.05/12/1983, and Gilad b.23/01/1988.

Joseph Rubin b.11/03/1955, married a Deborah Marie Bartley b.1954 in Connecticut 1985. (Now divorced)

They have 3 Children, Chad b.1978 (A previous child of his wife.)

Jacob Zachary b.14/02/1985 and Nathaniel Paul b.14/01/1987.

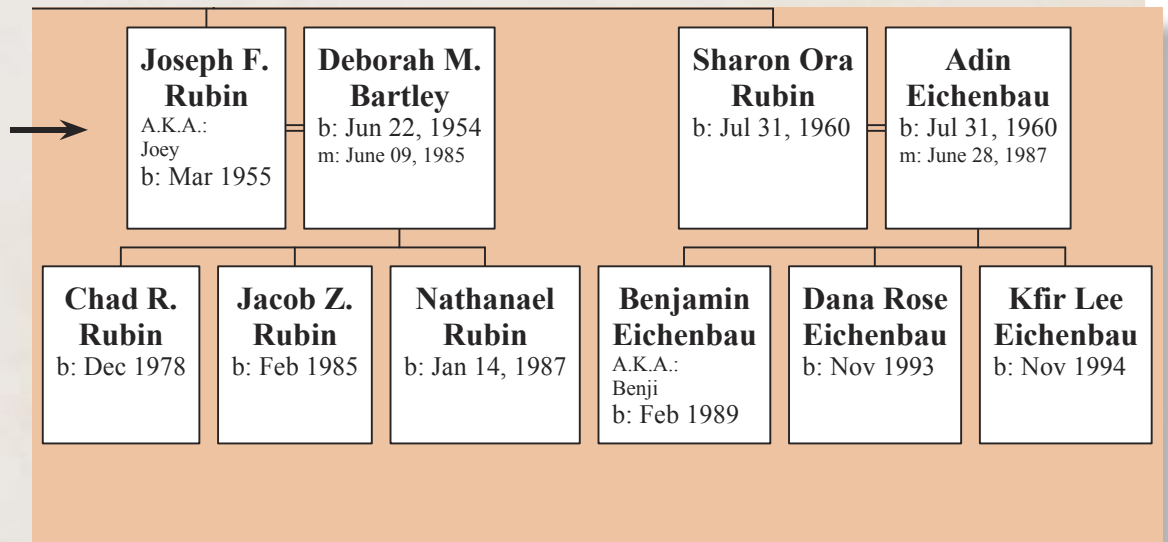
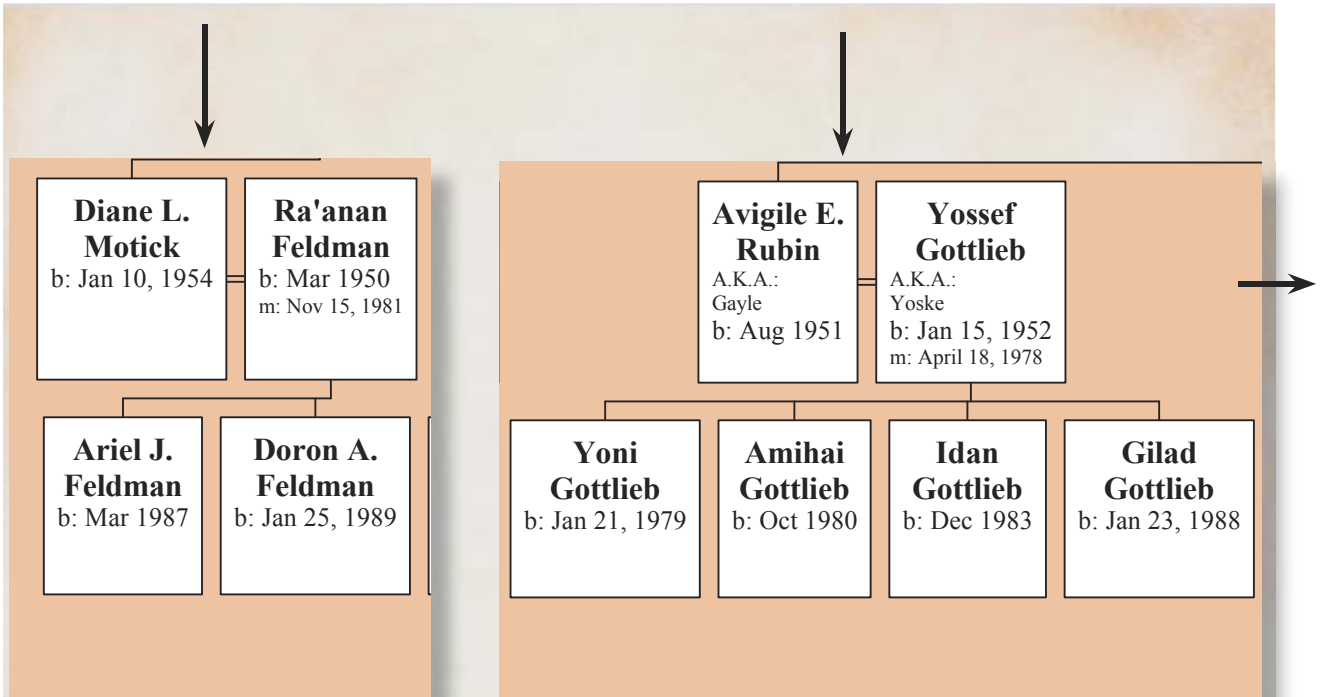
Sharon Rubin b.31/07/1960 Married Adin Eichenbaum b. Holon b.31/07/1960
They have 3 children

Benjamin Rafael b.16/02/1989

Dana Rose b.09/11/1993

Kfir Lee b.04/11/1994







Family of Victor

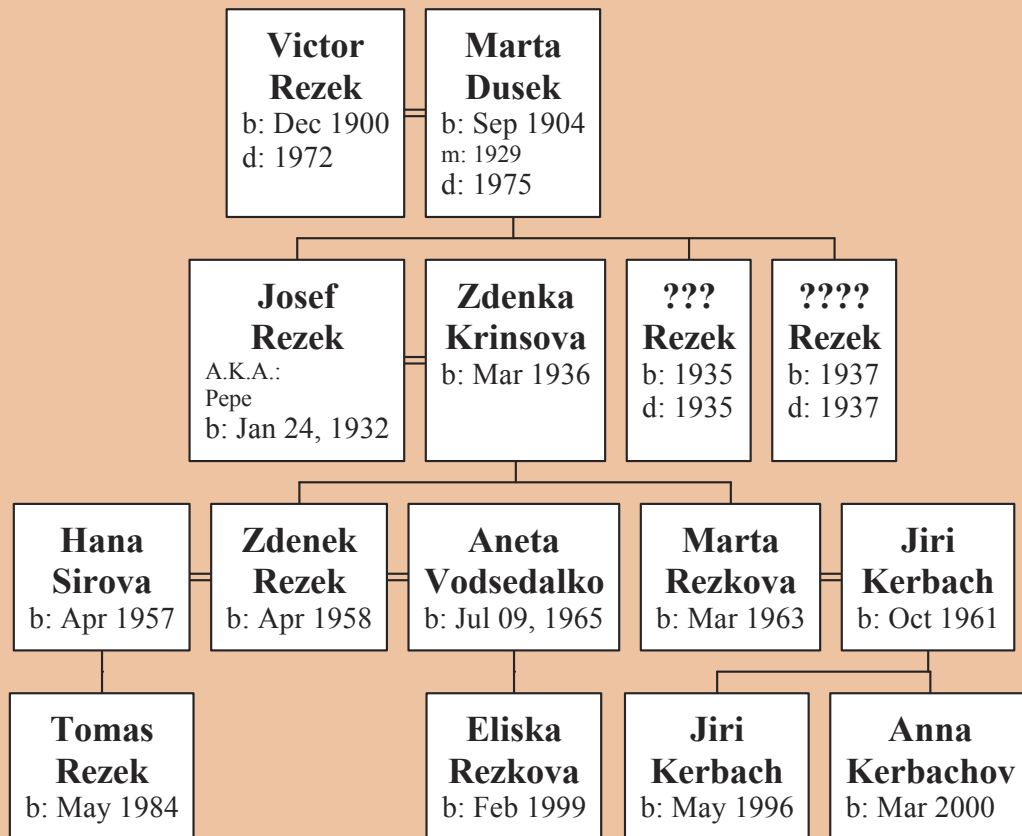


House of Josef Rezek,
Anna Rezkova and baby Victor on balcony.
Picture was taken in 1902 !





Descendants of Victor Rezek





Victor Rezek b.7\12\1900 d.1972 Prague, married Marta Dusek (Duskova)
b.09\09\1904 d.1975

Victor had married a Christian so during the war he was in a labour camp
and in Terezin. Victor died in Prague 1972.

A son was born 24/01/1932 in Prague Josef (Pepe), 2 Other sons
were born 1935 and 1937, both died at birth.

Pepe married Zdenka Krinsova b.29/03/1936. He worked for the
communist government as a diplomat and was posted in Beijing, Russia
and Bulgaria. He is now retired and living in Prague. During the Nazi
occupation he survived as he was with his mother. He mentioned to his
grandson that he had to wear a yellow star.

They have 2 children, a son Zdenek b.12/04/1958 and a daughter
Marta b.15/03/1963.

Zdenek has a son by his first wife (now divorced) Tomas b21/05/1984
in Prague.

With his 2nd wife a daughter Elisabeth (Eliska) b 26/02/1999. Zdenek
is an Engineer and is now working in Cairo (temporarily).

Marta (a nurse) married Jiri Kerbach b.01/10/1961 and they have an
adopted son Jiri b.27/05/1996 and a daughter b.09/03/2000 (Anna). Jiri
works in the exporting business dealing with wood products including
paper products.

