Laura TISCHLER

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Laura Tischler was born in Berehovo (Beregszász), Czechoslovakia on 5 September 1916, the youngest of eight children of Shaya Hertz and Maria (or Miriam) Tischler (née Rosenberg). Shaya Hertz was a Hebrew school teacher.

Birth Certificate of Laura Tischler



Her brothers were Alexander (or Sandor), Shlomo, and Abe, and her sisters were Esther, Rose, Toba (or Tilda), and Regina. She attended school in Beregsas, and said that she was the first in her family to attend secondary school. Following is Laura's secondary school diploma.

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Laura was about 16 years old when she left Berehovo to take a job in Antwerp, Belgium. Her original job was as a maid to the poor sister of a distant relative living in Antwerp. She remained in Belgium, and soon became a dressmaker. In a recorded statement, she noted returning to Berehovo for a visit in approximately 1936. At that point, her father was already dead.

She also visited her oldest brother Sandor, who was then married and living in Temeschwar, Romania. She received a visa to enter the US as a stateless person on September 27, 1939, and actually entered on November 10, 1939.

Laura's Immigrant Visa (1 of 2)



Laura's Immigrant Visa (2 of 2)



Laura's Class Photos

Class Photo 1
c. unknown
(Laura is seated front, center, in the bright white dress)



Class Photo 2 c. unknown (Laura is seated, seventh from the left)



Class Photo 3 1930 (Laura is seated, first on the right)



Shaya Hertz and Maria (or Miriam) (née Rosenberg) Tischler (Laura's mother and father)



Laura's mother and aunts



Left to right: Hana or Chava, Maria (Laura's mother), Heya or Chaya, Toba, and Esther. Of Laura's four sisters, three reached the United States, Esther, Rose, and Regina, and her three brothers went to Israel. Laura married Bernard Gold on 10 April 1943 in Philadelphia, PA, and had two sons, Steven H. Gold and Marvin H. Gold. She died on 17 August 2004.

Laura's Aunt Elizabeth (née Rosenberg) Sabo c. 1914-1917

