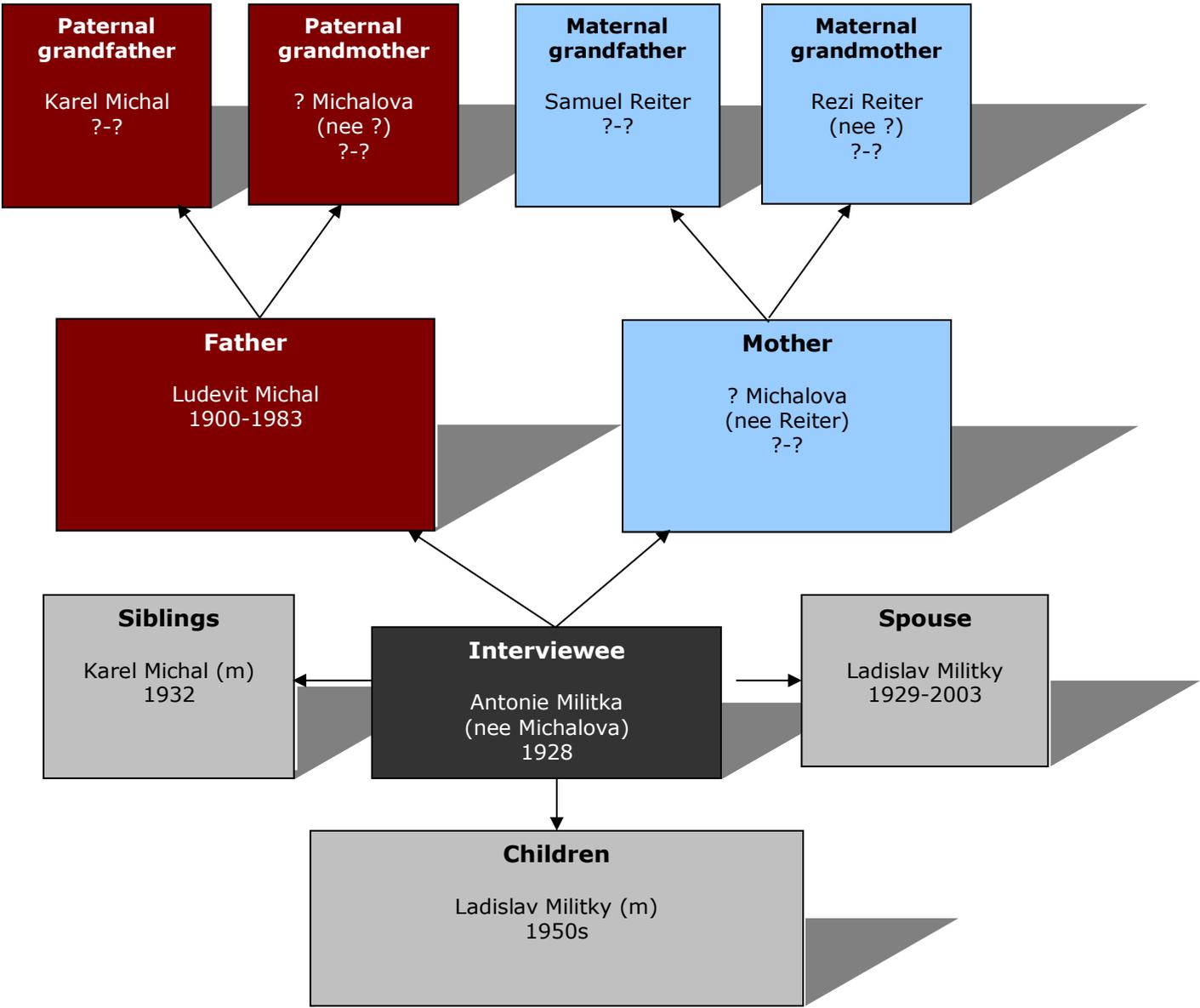


**Family Tree**



## The interviewee and his family

*Full name*

Antonie Militka (nee Michalova) (Jewish name: Rezi)

*Where and when were you born?*

Brno, 1928

*Where else did you live?*

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*Your educational level?*

No information

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

After the war, I at first helped my father run the newsstand. Later I worked at a machine works, where I stayed for 20 years. They put me into the computing center. We put together production reports for the finance department. We put together calculations for the accounting department for parts production, for which we issued salaries for workers and experts. I did that for 20 years. Technology advanced during that time. I liked this work, on the whole. After some time, I switched jobs and went to the computing center of a railway construction firm, where I was manager for four years. Sixteen girls worked there. We worked for all of Moravia. The head office was in Bratislava. From there I retired. In 1986 they called me from the Jewish Community, which was under the leadership of Mr. Arnost Neufeld. His secretary was leaving, and they asked me whether I couldn't take her place. I was a bit afraid to take the job, as I didn't want to commit myself. I could've been someplace else, where there was money to be made, because at that time you worked for the Community almost for free. Sometimes a person wants to do something good, which may not be paid so well, but is all the more useful.

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

As children, we liked all the holidays. One of our favorite holidays was Passover. For Passover we'd eat matzot and everything was beautiful. We'd buy large sacks of matzot. There was a bakery on Na Prikopech Street that baked matzot. For ten days, we ate only matzot. As children, we liked Chanukkah best, because we'd get gifts. Each evening, Mother would light candles. We'd pray daily, and the most festive food was served. She'd tell us about how it used to be at their house. All the holidays were beautiful, but these two stood out the most for us. Our mother's favorite was Yom Kippur. At school we mainly looked forward to Purim. It's the holiday of joy, and at that time we'd always play and have fun. I don't remember anymore exactly what games we played, but their intent was for us to not forget Jewish traditions.

*What is your mother tongue?*

Czech

*What other languages do you speak?*

No information

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

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*Where were you during the Holocaust?*

Ghetto: Terezin, 1943-1945

*What did you do after the Holocaust?*

After the Holocaust, I took care of my parents. Later I started my own family.

## Siblings

*Their names*

Karel Michal (Jewish name: Samuel) (m)

*Where and when were they born?*

Brno, 1932

*What is their mother tongue?*

Czech

*Their educational level?*

No information

*Their occupations?*

Worked in the auto industry, was also an auto racer. Later he started his own auto repair shop, where he employed several mechanics.

*Where do/did they live?*

Ramat Gan (today Israel)

*Where else did they live?*

Kibbutz Haogen (today Israel)

*Do they have children?*

Shani (f)

## **Spouse**

*Name?*

Ladislav Militky

*Where and when was he/she born?*

Litovel, 12<sup>th</sup> January 1929

*Where else did he/she live?*

Brno

*Is he/she Jewish?*

No

*What is his/her mother tongue?*

Czech

*His/her educational level?*

Finished hotel school

*Occupation?*

Worked in a student cafeteria and in various recreational facilities

*Where and when did he/she die?*

Brno, 2003

*Tell me anything you know about his/her siblings (Name, date of birth and death, occupation, place of residence, name of wife and children, whether their family is Jewish and whether it is religious).*

No information

## Children

*Their names?*

Ladislav Militky (nickname: Ladicek)

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

Yes/yes

*Where and when were they born?*

Brno, late 1950s

*Where else did they live?*

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*Their educational level?*

Finished Economics University in Ostrava

*Their occupations?*

No information

*How many grandchildren do you have?*

Zdenek (m)

Michaela (f)

Jiri (m)

## Father

*His name?*

Ludevít Michal

*Where and when was he born?*

Place unknown, 1900

*Where else did he live?*

Brno

*Where and when did he die?*

Brno, 1983

*What sort of education did he have?*

Finished technical textile school

*What sort of work did he do?*

My father was a barber by trade, but despite that worked at a textile mill. He finished technical textile school while working. In the end he became the superintendent of the Maccabi sports field in Brno. Despite the fact that my father worked hard at the field, he also opened a coal and wood shop in Hybesova Street, in that textile mill where he'd worked before.

*How religious was he?*

In 1925 he converted to Judaism, so that he could marry my mother. Conversion wasn't simple. He had to go through everything a Jewish boy had to go through. That meant that my father spent at least three years taking lessons from the rabbi. Besides that, he went to services with my mother. He learned to read Hebrew, prayers, and also history. After three years he had to take exams. He was proclaimed a Jew, and was admitted to the Jewish community. I don't remember my father's Jewish name.

*What was his mother tongue?*

Czech

*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.)*

Name	place and date of birth/death	occupation	biographical data and origins of spouse	biographical data of children	describe how religious they were
Josef Michal (m)	Brno, ? - died in the Holocaust	Journalist	No information	One daughter	Catholic
Frantiska ? (nee Michalova) (f)	Died at the age of 90	Artist in a factory	Single	One daughter, a seamstress	Catholic

*Where was he during the Holocaust?*

Labor camp: Postelberg/Postoloprty, 1944-1945

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

Ran his own newsstand

## Paternal grandfather

*Your paternal grandfather's name?*

Karel Michal

*Where and when was he born?*

Brno, date unknown

*Where else did he live?*

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*Where and when did he die?*

Brno, date unknown

*What sort of education did he have?*

No information

*What sort of work did he do?*

Book printer

*How religious was he?*

Catholic

*What was his mother tongue?*

Czech

*Army service: which army and what years?*

No information

*Tell me about his brothers and sisters.*

No information

*Where was he during the Holocaust?*

Died before

## Paternal grandmother

*Your paternal grandmother's name?*

? Michalova (nee ?)

*Where and when was she born?*

Brno, date unknown

*Where else did she live?*

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*Where and when did she die?*

Brno, date unknown

*What sort of education did she have?*

No information

*What sort of work did she do?*

Housewife

*How religious was she?*

Catholic

*What was her mother tongue?*

No information

*Tell me about her brothers and sisters.*

No information

*Where was she during the Holocaust?*

Died before

## Mother

*Her name?*

? Michalova (nee Reiter)

*Where and when was she born?*

Drachinet (today Ukraine), date unknown

*Where else did she live?*

Brno

*Where and when did she die?*

Brno, date unknown

*What sort of education did she have?*

No information

*What sort of work did she do?*

Already at the age of 16, she worked at the post office, sorting parcels and letters.

*How religious was she?*

The Reiters followed the Jewish religion in everything, and raised their children in the same spirit. They attended Jewish schools. When she arrived in Brno, my mother knew not only Romanian and Yiddish, but also spoke Hebrew and German. Their household was strictly kosher and they prayed before eating.

*What was her mother tongue?*

Yiddish

*Tell me about her brothers and sisters.*

My mother had three sisters and four brothers.

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Osias Reiter (m)	Romania/died in the Holocaust	Army officer	No information	No information	Orthodox

*Where was she during the Holocaust?*

In jail: Prague, August 1944 – February 1945

Ghetto: Terezin: 1945

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

After the war she was very weak, and never worked anywhere after that. She died at the age of 59.

## Maternal grandfather

*Your maternal grandfather's name?*

Samuel Reiter

*Where and when was he born?*

Drachinet (today Ukraine), date unknown

*Where else did he live?*

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*Where and when did he die?*

No information

*What sort of education did he have?*

No information

*What sort of work did he do?*

Farmer

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*What was his mother tongue?*

Probably Yiddish

*Army service: which army and what years?*

No information

*Tell me about his brothers and sisters.*

No information

*Where was he during the Holocaust?*

Died before

## Maternal grandmother

*Your maternal grandmother's name?*

Rezi Reiter (nee ?)

*Where and when was she born?*

Drachinet (today Ukraine), date unknown

*Where else did she live?*

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*Where and when did she die?*

No information

*What sort of education did she have?*

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*What sort of work did she do?*

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