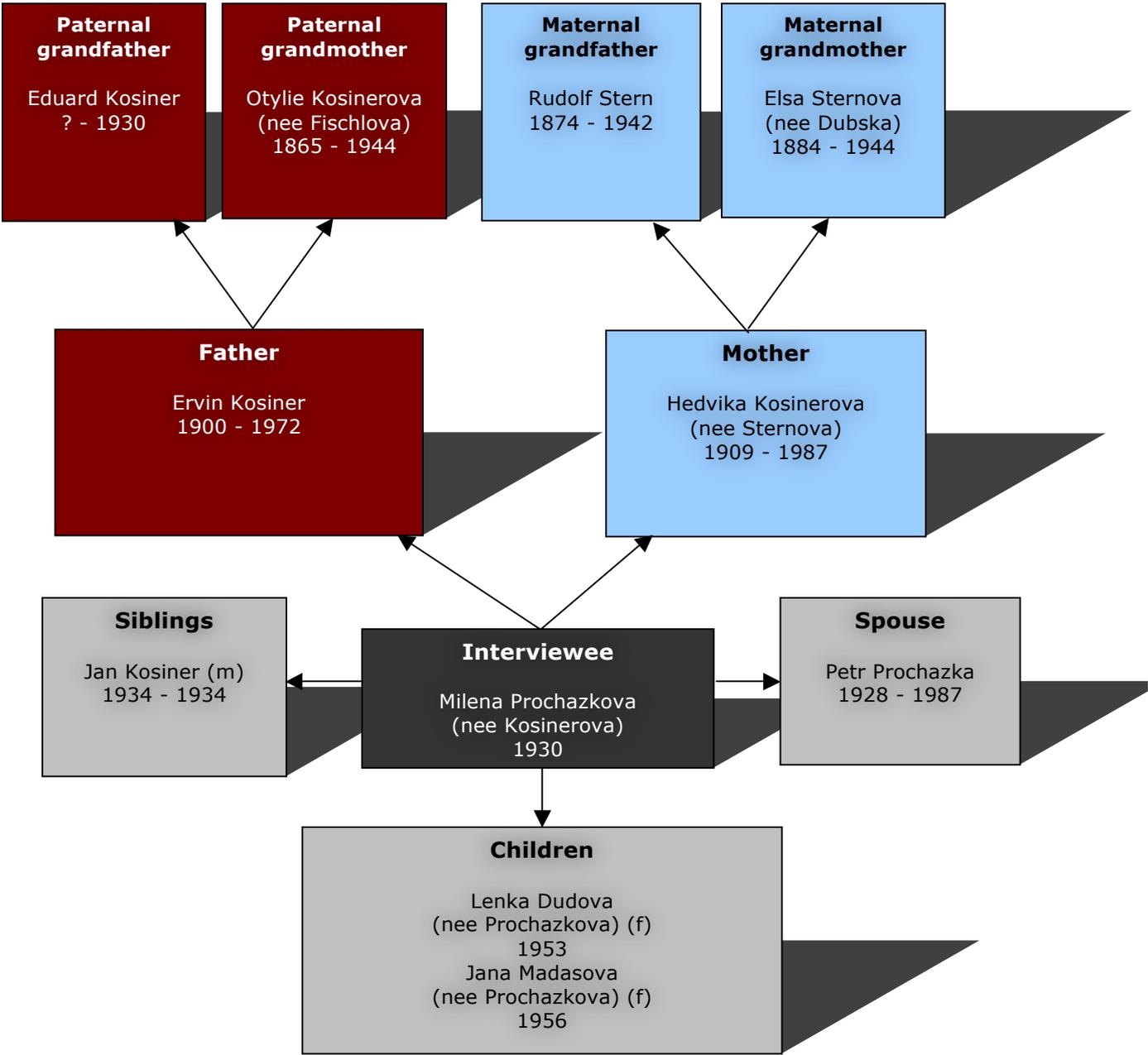


Family Tree



The interviewee and his family

Full name

Milena Prochazkova (nee Kosinerova)

Where and when were you born?

Prague, 3rd September 1930

Where else did you live?

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Your educational level?

High school, Prague

What sort of work do/did you do?

For about two years I worked in a lab in the State Health Institute, but back then they discovered that I've got a serious heart defect, and I could no longer work in the virology department. So then for years I worked for Druteva [Druteva Praha is a manufacturing collective with long years of tradition. It was founded on 1st January 1950 as the first collective to permit work placement of persons with various types of health problems.] and then for the National Gallery. I currently work for the Terezin Initiative, for at least 12, 13 years now.

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

My parents didn't practice anything at all. At home we celebrated Christmas and New Year. Before the war broke out, I didn't know at all that I was Jewish.

What is your mother tongue?

Czech

What other languages do you speak?

English, German

Where were you during the Holocaust?

Ghetto: Terezin, 1943-1945

What did you do after the Holocaust?

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Siblings

Their names

Jan Kosiner

Where and when were they born?

Prague, 1934

What is their mother tongue?

N/A

Their educational level?

N/A

Their occupations?

N/A

Where do/did they live?

N/A

Where else did they live?

N/A

Do they have children?

N/A

Where and when did they die?

Prague, 1934 (died of congenital chest defect while still a baby)

Spouse

Name?

Petr Prochazka

Where and when was he/she born?

Prague, 15th May 1928

Where else did he/she live?

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Is he/she Jewish?

No

What is his/her mother tongue?

Czech

His/her educational level?

CTU Prague, Faculty of Electrical Engineering

Occupation?

He worked for various companies, also in Remos, where he did mainly electrical work. It wasn't until later, when our children were already in school, sometime in 1964, 1965 I think, that he began studying at CTU while working. Already during his studies he was working as a programmer for a computer technology company, where he then worked until the end of his life.

Where and when did he/she die?

Prague, 17th September 1987

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).

- Zuzana Jirickova (nee Prochazkova) (f): born 25th April 1924, high school, Prague; husband: Zdenek Jiricka, doctor; 2 children, Dana Mrakotova (f), Vojtech Jiricka (m)
- Pavel Prochazka (m): born 17th May 1930, CTU architecture, Prague; wife: Hana Prochazkova, dentist; 1 daughter Marta

Children

Their names?

Lenka Dudova (nee Prochazkova)

Jana Madasova (nee Prochazkova)

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

Lenka: No/No

Jana: No/No

Where and when were they born?

Lenka: Prague, 4th August 1953

Jana : Prague, 1st August 1956

Where else did they live?

Lenka: -

Jana: Vienna (1976 - current day)

Their educational level?

Lenka: University of Economics, Prague

Jana: High school, Prague

Their occupations?

Lenka: systems engineer

Jana: housewife

How many grandchildren do you have?

Lenka: Kristyna (f), born 13th March 1980

Jana: Robert (m), born 1976, Oliver (m), born 1979

Father

His name?

Ervin Kosiner

Where and when was he born?

Bukoly near Kralupy, 16th June 1900

Where else did he live?

Prague

Where and when did he die?

Prague, October 1972

What sort of education did he have?

CTU Prague, Civil Engineering

What sort of work did he do?

My father was an expert in heavy structural engineering, so they immediately hired him to work for Chemoprojekt [Chemoprojekt, a.s. is a Czech project, engineering and supply company, which is active in the chemical industry since 1950, as a leading supplier in this area]. He then worked there his whole life as a chief engineer. In Slovakia he built all of Duslo [DUSLO, a.s. is after SLOVNAFT the second largest chemical company in Slovakia. The government of the CSR on 8th April 1958 began the initial project of its construction. Currently DUSLO a.s. exports its products to more than 40 countries worldwide].

How religious was he?

My father wasn't particularly religiously inclined, he didn't practice anything at all.

What was his mother tongue?

Czech

Army service: which army and what years?

WWI, 1917-1918, artillery

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
Berta Baumova (nee Kosineroва) (f)	?, 16 th December 1891 - died in the Holocaust, Auschwitz (today Poland)	Housewife	Rudolf Baum, born 1885 - died in the Holocaust, Auschwitz	Hanus Baum (m), born 1928 - died in the Holocaust, Auschwitz Milos Baum (m), ? - 1939	No information
Marta Steinerova (nee Kosineroва) (f)	9 th July 1893 - died in the Holocaust, Auschwitz	Housewife	Ota Steiner, born 1892 - died in the Holocaust, Auschwitz superintendent of cemetery by Zelivskeho in Prague	Anita Steinerova (f), born 1927 - died in the Holocaust, Auschwitz	No information
Vlasta Alferiova (nee Kosineroва) (f)	3 rd February 1895 - died in the Holocaust, Lodz (today Poland)	Housewife	Josef Alferi, born 1892 - died in the Holocaust, Lodz owned a bank	Franta Alferi (m), born 1927	No information
Karel Kosiner (m)	8 th July 1896 - died in the Holocaust, Auschwitz	Lawyer	Valerie Kosineroва (nee?), born 1889 - died in the Holocaust, Auschwitz	None	Valerie came, as opposed to Karel, from an Orthodox Jewish family. They observed holidays and at home he had to eat kosher, so that she could eat her fill

			Lawyer		properly, and wouldn't have to eat only hard-boiled eggs, like when she occasionally came to our place to visit. But for sure she couldn't get him to go to synagogue.
Marie Fürthova (nee Kosinerova) (f)	1903 - died in the Holocaust, Maly Trostinec (today Belarus)	Housewife	Josef Fürth, born 1900 - died in the Holocaust, Maly Trostinec Owned a textile factory	Jirina Fürthova (f), born 1926 - died in the Holocaust, Maly Trostinec Irena Fürthova (f), born 1932 - died in the Holocaust, Maly Trostinec	
Anna Fürthova (nee Kosinerova) (f)	1904 - died in the Holocaust, Treblinka (today Poland)	Housewife	Arnost Fürth, dragged off by the Gestapo, died in the Holocaust Owned a textile factory	Franta Fürth, born 1930 - died in the Holocaust, Treblinka	No information
Milos Kosiner (m)	11 th October 1905 - after WWII he emigrated, we never heard of him again	No information	Name unknown, Wasn't Jewish	No information	No information

Where was he during the Holocaust?

Ghetto: Terezin, 1943-1944

Labor camp: Wulkow (today Germany), 1944-1945

If he survived, what did he do after?

My father began working in his little company that he'd already had before the war. There were three of them, two took care of finding business, and Dad just calculated and calculated. He lost his business sometime in 1951, I think. The Communists took it away from them. But he didn't make some sort of tragedy out of it, he took it as a matter of fact. Because he had such trials and tribulations behind him, that some little company couldn't upset him. He had no

problem finding work, he was an expert in heavy structural engineering, so they immediately hired him to work for Chemoprojekt. He then worked there his whole life as a chief engineer. In Slovakia he built all of Duslo.

Paternal grandfather

Your paternal grandfather's name?

Eduard Kosiner

Where and when was he born?

No information

Where else did he live?

No information

Where and when did he die?

Place unknown, 1930

What sort of education did he have?

Probably elementary school

What sort of work did he do?

Landowner and farmer

How religious was he?

On my father's side there was no Jewish upbringing. My grandpa and grandma didn't observe any holidays, that I know for sure. In those eight families – when each of their children already had their own family – they observed only Christmas and Easter. Neither did their ancestors, as far as I know, live religiously.

What was his mother tongue?

Czech

Army service: which army and what years?

No information

Tell me about his brothers and sisters.

None

Where was he during the Holocaust?

Died before

Paternal grandmother

Your paternal grandmother's name?

Otylie Kosinerova (nee Fischlova)

Where and when was she born?

Place unknown, July 1865

Where else did she live?

In a village near Kralupy, Prague

Where and when did she die?

Concentration camp: Treblinka (today Poland), 1944

What sort of education did she have?

Probably elementary school

What sort of work did she do?

Housewife

How religious was she?

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What was her mother tongue?

Czech

Tell me about her brothers and sisters.

None

Where was she during the Holocaust?

Ghetto: Terezin, 1942 - 1944

Concentration camp: Treblinka (today Poland), 1944

Mother

Her name?

Hedvika Kosinerova (nee Sternova)

Where and when was she born?

Kamberk, 25th February 1909

Where else did she live?

Prague

Where and when did she die?

Prague, 1987

What sort of education did she have?

Family school

What sort of work did she do?

Her husband's company, office work

Remos, accountant

How religious was she?

The same as my father, my mother wasn't particularly religiously inclined, she didn't practice anything at all.

What was her mother tongue?

Czech

Tell me about her brothers and sisters.

My mother was originally one of five children, but three of them died during the Spanish Flu epidemic in 1918 or 1919

name	place and date of birth/death	occupation	biographical data and origins of spouse	biographical data of children	describe how religious they were
Marie Faktorova (nee Sternova) (f)	20 th September 1904 - 1986, London (England)	Housewife	Dipl. Ing. Frantisek Faktor Mechanical engineer	Vera Joseph (nee Faktor) (f), born 1925 Petr Faktor (m), born 1931	No information

Where was she during the Holocaust?

Ghetto: Terezin

If she survived, what did she do after?

Before the war and also after the war my mother worked in my father's office. And afterwards, when they took it away from them, she worked as an accountant for Remos – where among other things they manufactured Remoskas [a type of electric cooker] - up until she retired, which was around 1965.

Maternal grandfather

Your maternal grandfather's name?

Rudolf Stern

Where and when was he born?

Place unknown, 1st January 1874

Where else did he live?

Kamberk, Prague

Where and when did he die?

Concentration camp: Treblinka (today Poland), 1942

What sort of education did he have?

Probably agricultural high school

What sort of work did he do?

My grandpa had a huge farming estate. That estate was really very large, because twelve families lived there. They worked for them in the fields and gardens, basically whatever was needed. And got a salary for that. They had horses, cows, poultry, everything.

How religious was he?

As far as religion goes, my grandfather on my mother's side regularly attended synagogue. At least once a month. But mainly he always observed the New Year [*Rosh Hashanah*] and the Long Day [*Yom Kippur*]. He was brought up that way at home, likely by his father, because his mother didn't observe anything. You know, what could you observe in those villages. Both his parents were Jews, just like my grandma's, they were generations of Jewish families. But they were village families. I suspect that they tried to live in such a way so as not stick out too much from the other villagers. Some sort of attending synagogue was of course not possible in a village in those days. Nevertheless neither did my

grandfather live in some sort of Orthodox fashion, he observed only the High Holidays, didn't eat kosher and on the contrary, spent Christmas with us children. Neither did he try to exert some sort of religious influence or pressure. No one talked about it in that family. He lived his own internal life, but without us.

What was his mother tongue?

Czech

Army service: which army and what years?

No information

Tell me about his brothers and sisters.

As far as I know, he had two brothers. But I don't remember anything else about them.

Where was he during the Holocaust?

Ghetto: Terezin

Concentration Camp: Treblinka (today Poland)

Maternal grandmother

Your maternal grandmother's name?

Elsa Sternova (nee Dubska)

Where and when was she born?

Kamberk, 28th January 1884

Where else did she live?

Prague

Where and when did she die?

Concentration Camp: Treblinka (today Poland), 1942

What sort of education did she have?

Probably junior high

What sort of work did she do?

Housewife, worked on the farm

How religious was she?

She didn't live in any religious fashion.

What was her mother tongue?

Czech

Tell me about her 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
Berta Budlovska (nee Dubska), (f)	Lived in Humpolec, died before WWII	No information	? Budlovsky	Stefa Hallerova, (nee Budlovska), (f), born 1900 Gusta Reiterova (nee Budlovska), (f), born 1904 - died in the Holocaust, Auschwitz (today Poland)	No information
Fany Polakova (nee Dubska) (nickname: Fanynka), (f)	1886 - 1946, Prague	No information	? Polak had a farm in Kyje	Karel Polak (m), born 1910	No information
Vilem Dubsky (nickname: Vilik) (m)	No information	No information	No information	No information	No information
Samuel Dubsky (nickname: Samy) (m)	Lived in Vienna (today Austria)	No information	No information	No information	No information
Eduard Dubsky (m)	No information	No information	No information	No information	No information

Where was she during the Holocaust?

Ghetto: Terezin, 1942

Concentration Camp: Treblinka (today Poland), 1942