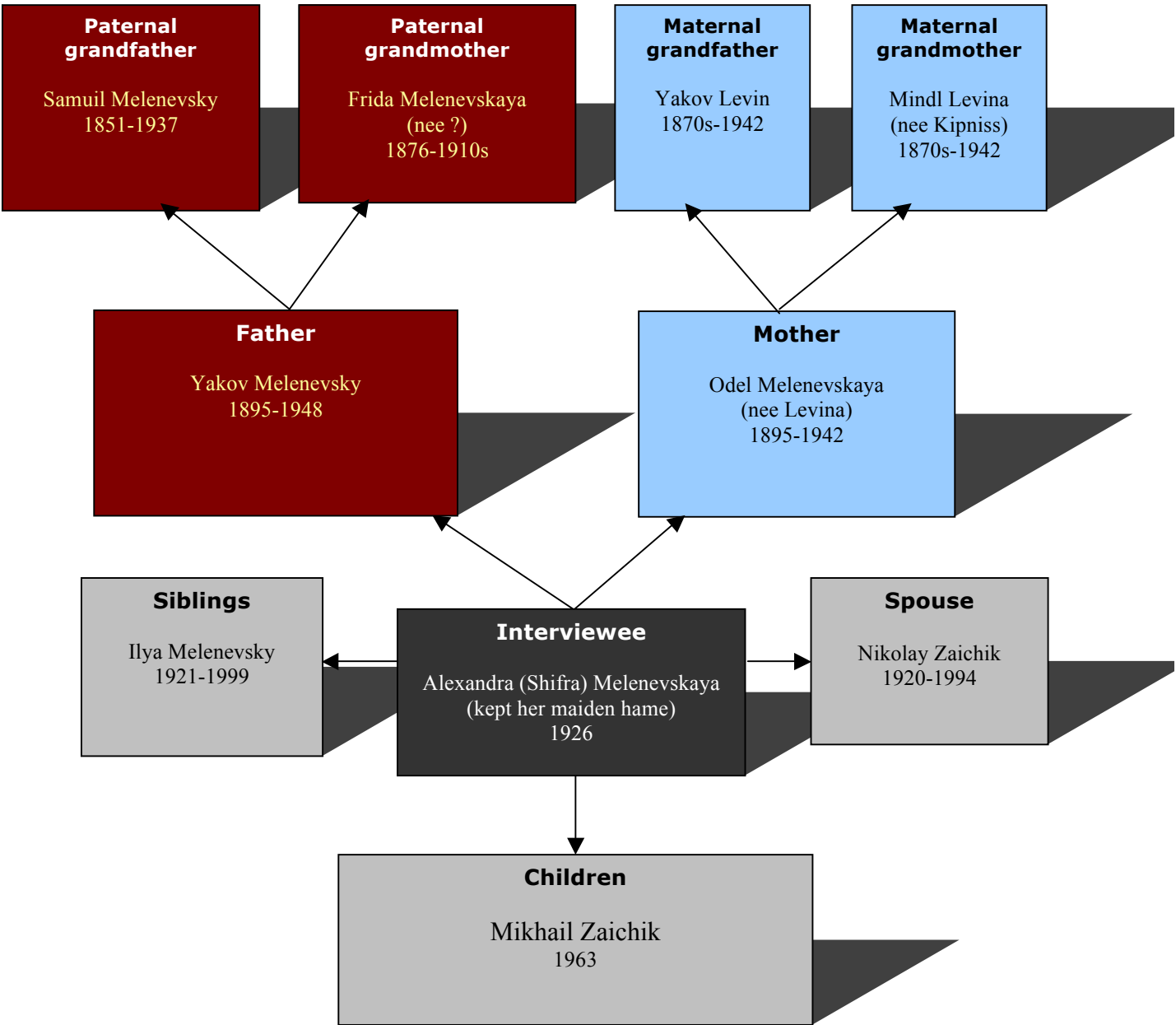


**Family Tree**



## The interviewee and his family

### *Full name*

Alexandra Yakovlevna Melenevskaya (kept her maiden name after marriage.

Jewish name – Shifra)

### *Where and when were you born?*

Volodarsk Volinsky (today Ukraine), 1926

### *Where else did you live?*

Korysten (today Ukraine): 1926-1930

Leningrad: 1930-1942

Bashkiria (in evacuation):1942-1944

Leningrad: 1944-1949

Karaganda (today Kazakhstan): 1949-1953

Leningrad:1953-1991

Saint Peterburg:1991- to date

### *Your educational level?*

Graduated from the Medical University, Leningrad

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

Before WWII: did not work, studied at school

After WWII: a physician, obstetrician-gynaecologist

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

My parents broke away from Tradition before 1945 with the death of mother's ancestors, and our family assimilated with indigenous population.

### *What is your mother tongue?*

Russian

*How many other languages do you speak?*

Russian

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

No

*Where were you during the Holocaust?*

In the besieged Leningrad: September 1941 - November 1942

In evacuation in Tobynsk, Bashkiria: 1942 – 1944

In Leningrad: 1944 - 1945

*What did you do after the Holocaust?*

I was a student of the 1<sup>st</sup> Medical Institute in Leningrad

## Siblings

*Their names*

Ilya Melenevsky

*Where and when were they born?*

Volodarsk Volinsky, Volinsky province (today Ukraine), 1921

*What is their mother tongue?*

Russian

*Their educational level?*

Motor Transport Technical School: 1947 – 1950

Medical Technical School: 1950 - 1953

*Their occupations?*

Before WWII: did not work, studied at the Institute

After WWII: department manager at bus depot

*Where do/did they live?*

Leningrad: 1947 - 1991

*Where else did they live?*

Israel: 1991 - 1999

*Do they have children?*

Son, Yakov Melenevsky

*Where and when did they die?*

Israel, 1999

## **Spouse**

*Name?*

Nikolay Zaichik

*Where and when was he/she born?*

Ptich (today Belorussia), 1920

*Where else did he/she live?*

Leningrad

*Is he/she Jewish?*

Jewish

*What is his/her mother tongue?*

Russian

*His/her educational level?*

Graduated from Ship-building Institute: 1941 - 1946

*Occupation?*

Deputy chief engineer at Giprorybflot (the State Research Institute for Fishing Fleet)

*Where and when did he/she die?*

Saint Petersburg: 1994

*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?*

Mikhail Zaichik

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

Soviet lifestyle

*Where and when were they born?*

Leningrad:1963

*Where else did they live?*

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*Their educational level?*

Unfinished Electrotechnical Institute of Telecommunication named after Bonch-Bruevich

*Their occupations?*

1<sup>st</sup> group of disability (does not work)

*How many grandchildren do you have?*

None

## Father

*His name?*

Yakov Melenevsky

*Where and when was he born?*

Meleni, village (today Ukraine), 1895

*Where else did he live?*

Leningrad

*Where and when did he die?*

Leningrad: 1948

*What sort of education did he have?*

Grammar school

*What sort of work did he do?*

Commercial manager,  
Head of logistics department at glass-works

*How religious was he?*

He was irreligious

*What was his mother tongue?*

No information



*Army service: which army and what years?*

None: contagious tuberculosis

*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	attitude to Jewish traditions
Mark Melenevsky	Leningrad, Saint Petersburg 1902-1960s	No information	Ida (1908-1962), Jewish – sister of Alexandra’s mother worked as a book-keeper	Miron Melenevsky: 1934, Worked at computing center Ilya Melenevsky: 1939, Worked at the plant named after Lenin, used to be a mountain-climber	Did not observe Tradition
Henrikh Melenevsky	No information	Lived in Western Ukraine	Married	He had a son, who was called up in 1939 (he wrote a letter about it)	No information
Mikhail Melenevsky	No information	In Canada	No information	Two daughters, born approximately in 1921 and 1926. One of them was a ballet dancer, the other one – a physician.	No information

*Where was he during the Holocaust?*

In Leningrad:1930-1942

In evacuation in Tobynsk, Bashkiria: 1942 – 1944

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

Worked as a commercial manager at the "Krasny Napilnik" factory



*Your paternal grandfather's name?*

Samuil Melenevsky

*Where and when was he born?*

Ukraine: 1851

*Where else did he live?*

Korysten (today Ukraine)

*Where and when did he die?*

Ukraine: 1937

*What sort of education did he have?*

No information

*What sort of work did he do?*

No information

*How religious was he?*

No information

*What was his mother tongue?*

No information

*Army service: which army and what years?*

No information

*Tell me about his brothers and sisters.*


No information

*Where was he during the Holocaust?*

No information

*If he survived what did he do after?*

No information



*Your paternal grandmother's name?*

Frida Melenevskaya (nee ?)

*Where and when was she born?*

Place unknown, 1876

*Where else did she live?*

Korysten (today Ukraine)

*Where and when did she die?*

Ukraine, 1910s

*What sort of education did she have?*

Uneducated

*What sort of work did she do?*

Housewife

*How religious was she?*

No information

*What was her mother tongue?*

No information

*Tell me about his brothers and sisters.*


No information

*Where was she during the Holocaust?*

No information

*If she survived what did she do after?*

No information



*Her name?*

Odel Melenevskaya (nee Levina)

*Where and when was she born?*

Ukraine: 1895

*Where else did she live?*

Korysten (today Ukraine):1925-1930

Leningrad:1930-1940

Under arrest and in exile:1940-1942

*Where and when did she die?*

In exile: 1942

*What sort of education did she have?*

Grammar school

*What sort of work did she do?*

Housewife, seamstress

*How religious was she?*

Soviet lifestyle

*What was her mother tongue?*

Yiddish

*Tell me about his brothers and sisters.*

Name	place and date of birth/death	occupation	biographical data and origins of spouse	biographical data of children	attitude to Jewish traditions
Yosif Levin	Place unknown: 1902-1980s	Chief mechanical engineer at the factory of elastic technical products	Zinaida, Russian (1908-1976)	Leonid: Zinaida's son, born in her first wedlock – died at the age of 15 in the besieged Leningrad in 1941. Ella Levina (nee Adamskaya): works at the Naval Research Institute in Saint Petersburg	Did not observe Tradition
Natan Levin	Place unknown: 1910-1941	A sailor, served in Sevastopol (today Ukraine)	Tatyana Levina, Medical clerk at the military hospital	Bella Levina, daughter, born in 1938, lives in Israel	No information
Ida Levina	Place unknown: 1908-1962	Chief book-keeper at the Mint	Mark (1902-1960s) – my father's brother	Miron Melenevsky, born in 1934, worked at a computer center, a pensioner today Ilya Melenevsky (1939- ?) – used to be a mountain-climber, drown on fishing trip	
Sofia Levina	Place unknown: 1906-1942	Died in the besieged Leningrad	Was never married		
Vera Berstein (nee Levina)	Place unknown: 1912-1995	Worked at the planning organization together with her husband,	Semen Berstein (1916-1990s) – fought for his country, reached Berlin, he had a	No children	Did not observe Tradition



then worked lot of medals  
at a plant

*Where was she during the Holocaust?*

In exile, released in 1942, did not return to Leningrad, died in exile



*Your maternal grandfather's name?*

Yakov Levin

*Where and when was he born?*

Ukraine: 1870s

*Where else did he live?*

Ukalnar railway station (today Ukraine): 1932-1939

Leningrad:1939-1942

*Where and when did he die?*

Leningrad:1942

*What sort of education did he have?*

No information

*What sort of work did he do?*

Watchman at a collective farm

*How religious was he?*

He was religious, observed Tradition, was a rabbi

*What was his mother tongue?*

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 in the besieged Leningrad

## Maternal grandmother



*Your maternal grandmother's name?*

Mindl Levina (nee Kipniss)

*Where and when was she born?*

Ukraine: 1870s

*Where else did she live?*

Ukalnar railway station (today Ukraine): 1932-1939

Leningrad:1939-1942

*Where and when did she die?*

Leningrad:1942

*What sort of education did she have?*

Uneducated

*What sort of work did she do?*

Housewife

*How religious was she?*

Irreligious

*What was her mother tongue?*

No information

*Tell me about his brothers and sisters.*

name	place and date of birth/death	occupation	biographical data and origins of spouse	biographical data of children	attitude to Jewish traditions
Yosif Kipniss	No information	Commerce	Judith, a housewife	Grigoriy Kipniss: 1923-1996 Literary Newspaper employee in Kiev (today Ukraine) Ella Kipniss: 1932-1976s	Did not observe Tradition

*Where was she during the Holocaust?*

Died in the besieged Leningrad