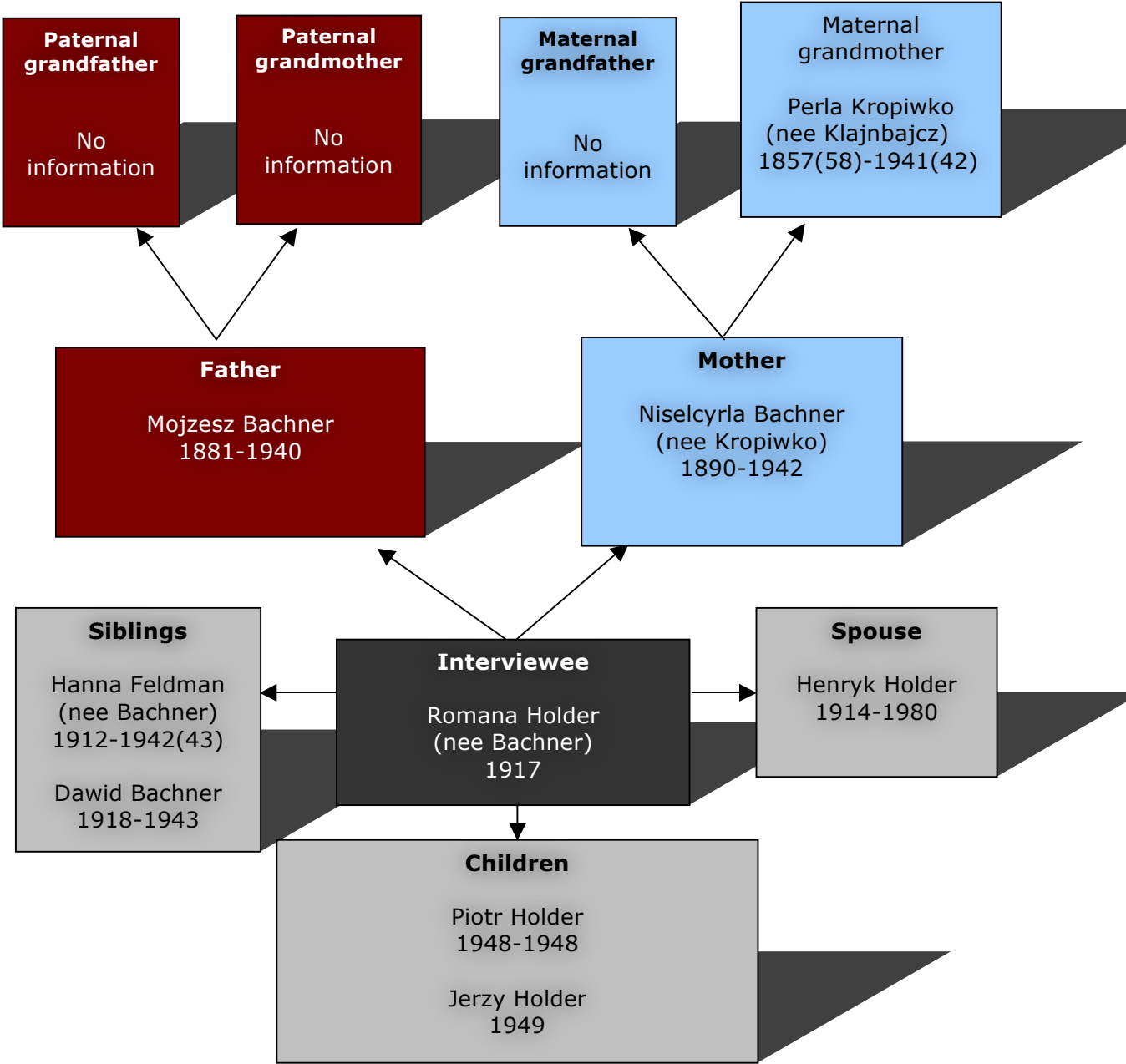


**Family Tree**



## The interviewee and his family

### *Full name*

Romana Anna Holder (nee Bachner; Broniewska, Szymanska - names used to conceal Jewish identity during WWII)

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

Warsaw, 25th February 1917

### *Where else did you live?*

Konskowola (100 km from Warsaw)

Katowice

### *Your educational level?*

Matriculated from gymnasium, Warsaw

Did not complete a sewing course, Warsaw (before WWII)

Completed a drafting course in 1954, Warsaw

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

Secretary

Housewife

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

We were not religious, but a bit traditional, though. Father prayed in the mornings but never went to synagogue, and Mother observed the Sabbath supper traditions. We celebrated some holidays, like Pesach. The kitchen was not kosher but we did not eat pork at home. My brother had a bar mitzvah and my sister a wedding ceremony with a rabbi.

### *What is your mother tongue?*

Polish

*How many other languages do you speak?*

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*If you were in an army, tell us which army and the dates*  
the First Polish Army 1944-45, rank of ensign

*Where were you during the Holocaust?*

Warsaw Ghetto, 1940-1942

Warsaw – in hiding, 1942

Konskowola (100 km from Warsaw), 1942-1944

Military service in the Polish Army, 1944-1945

*What did you do after the Holocaust?*

Secretary in a state enterprise – Construction of Housing for Workers, Warsaw

Housewife

## Siblings

### *Their names*

Hanna Feldman (nee Bachner) (f)

Dawid Bachner (m)

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

Hanna: Warsaw, 1912

Dawid: Warsaw, 1918

### *What is their mother tongue?*

Polish

### *Their educational level?*

Hanna: did not finish gymnasium

Dawid: finished gymnasium, Warsaw

### *Their occupations?*

Hanna: housewife

Dawid: helped out in his father's leather store

### *Where do/did they live?*

Hanna: Warsaw

Dawid: Warsaw

### *Where else did they live?*

Hanna: Lublin

Dawid: -

### *Do they have children?*

Hanna: Gustaw, 1938-? (killed in the Holocaust in Majdanek concentration camp)

Dawid: -

### *Where and when did they die?*

Hanna: killed in Majdanek concentration camp, 1942 or 1943

Dawid: killed in the Warsaw Ghetto, 1943

## Spouse

*Name?*

Henryk Holder

*Where and when was he/she born?*

Szczerc near Kolomyia (today Ukraine), 6 July 1914

*Where else did he/she live?*

Kolomyja, Katowice, Warsaw

*Is he/she Jewish?*

Yes

*What is his/her mother tongue?*

Polish

*His/her educational level?*

Graduated from the Faculty of Law at Lwow University, before WWII

*Occupation?*

Lawyer before WWII

Military prosecutor and civil servant after WWII

*Where and when did he/she die?*

Jadwisin near Warsaw, 26 July 1980

*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).*

Izio - Izydor or Izaak (m), born before 1914, lawyer in Kolomyia, committed suicide in the Kolomyia Ghetto

His wife Maria, a lawyer in Kolomyia, married again after WWII, died in Warsaw at the turn of the 20th and 21<sup>st</sup> c.

A young daughter killed in Kolomyia during WWII.

They were not religious.

## Children

*Their names?*

Piotr (m)

Jerzy (m)

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

Jerzy did not have a bar mitzvah. He doesn't observe any religious customs today. He only buys matzah at Pesach. He considers himself a Pole with Jewish roots.

*Where and when were they born?*

Piotr: Warsaw, 1948 (Warsaw, 1948)

Jerzy: Wroclaw, 1949

*Where else did they live?*

Piotr: N/A

Jerzy: Warsaw

*Their educational level?*

Piotr: N/A

Jerzy: Graduated from the Faculty of Foreign Trade at the School of Planning and Statistics, Warsaw, in the 1970s

*Their occupations?*

Piotr: N/A

Jerzy: English translator at the editorial office of the Polish Press Agency

*How many grandchildren do you have?*

Piotr: N/A

Jerzy: -

## Father

*His name?*

Mojzesz (called Maurycy or Moryc at home) Bachner

*Where and when was he born?*

Warsaw, 1881

*Where else did he live?*

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*Where and when did he die?*

Warsaw, 1940

*What sort of education did he have?*

No information

*What sort of work did he do?*

Craftsman in a shoe company

Merchant – owner of a leather store

*How religious was he?*

He didn't observe the Sabbath and didn't fast at Yom Kippur due to health problems. He didn't go to synagogue. Before WWII he didn't eat pork, he prayed every morning (he had the religious accessories: tallit, tefillin) and observed Pesach. He had a mezuzah hung by the door, which he touched when going in or out.



*What was his mother tongue?*

No information

*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	attitude to Jewish traditions
Edward Bachner (m)	born in Warsaw, died in Bydgoszcz before WWII	no information	-	-	He was probably not religious - he lived with a Polish woman.
Adolf Bachner (m)	born in Warsaw in the 1870s, killed in the Holocaust	manager of a paper factory, later unemployed	Regina Bachner (Jewish), a housewife, killed in the Holocaust	Helena Lukacz (nee Bachner) (f), born in Warsaw about 1910, a lawyer, killed in the Holocaust with her daughter Blanka and husband  Lowa  Edward Bachner (m), born in Warsaw between 1910 and 1920, killed in the Holocaust	Helena married a Jew. Edward: no information.
Rozia Wach (nee Bachner) (f)	born in Warsaw in the 1890s, killed in the	took in sewing, housewife	Maks Wach, no more information,	Niusia Wach (f) 1927 (1928) - 1941 (1942),	She was probably not religious (no more

	Holocaust		killed in the Holocaust	born and died in Warsaw	information)
Syma Bachner (f)	born in Warsaw, ?, killed in the Holocaust	no information	-	-	no information

*Where was he during the Holocaust?*

Committed suicide in the Warsaw Ghetto

## Paternal grandfather

*Your paternal grandfather's name?*

No information

## Paternal grandmother

*Your paternal grandmother's name?*

No information

## Mother

*Her name?*

Niselcyrla (called Natalia at home, nee Kropiwko) Bachner

*Where and when was she born?*

Warsaw, 1890

*Where else did she live?*

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*Where and when did she die?*

?, 1942

*What sort of education did she have?*

No information

*What sort of work did she do?*

Housewife

*How religious was she?*

She did not keep a kosher kitchen because of her husband's health. She lit the candles on Friday. She didn't wear a wig. She didn't eat pork (before WWII), she fasted on Yom Kippur, and she observed some holidays, such as Pesach.

*What was her mother tongue?*

Probably Polish

*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
Feliks Kropiwko (m)	born in Warsaw in the 1880s, died in Paris in the 1900s or 1910s	No information	-	-	No information
Mania Gleichenhau (nee Kropiwko) (f)	born in Warsaw in the 1890s, killed in the Holocaust	owner of a haberdashery store in Warsaw	Natan Gleichenhau (Jew), divorced from Mania, died ?	Natalia Gleichenhau (f) born in Warsaw in 1917, died in the Holocaust  Miecio Gleichenhau (m) born in Warsaw after 1917, killed in the Holocaust	They weren't religious, they were assimilated Jews. Mania felt Polish, not Jewish. Her daughter went to a Polish school.
Szymon Kropiwko (m)	born in Warsaw in the 1890s (younger than Mania), died in Warsaw, probably at the end of the 1930s	No information	Cesia (Jewish), no more information	Two sons, one called Dudek, both born in the 1920s or 1930s, no more information	No information

*Where was she during the Holocaust?*

The Warsaw Ghetto

Sent to an extermination camp, probably Treblinka

## Maternal grandfather

*Your maternal grandfather's name?*

No information

## Maternal grandmother

*Your maternal grandmother's name?*

Perla Kropiwko (nee Klajn bajcz)

*Where and when was she born?*

Warsaw, 1857 or 1858

*Where else did she live?*

Paris

*Where and when did she die?*

Warsaw Ghetto, 1941 or 1942

*What sort of education did she have?*

No information

*What sort of work did she do?*

Taking care of wealthy old people

Housekeeping for her daughter Mania

*How religious was she?*

She didn't observe any customs. She was less religious than her older daughter Niselcyrla.

*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
Ludwik Klajnbajcz (m)	Born in Warsaw in the 1860s, killed in Warsaw in the Holocaust	owner of a hat store in Warsaw	Gucia Klajnbajcz, died in the Warsaw Ghetto in 1941 or 1942	-	no information

*Where was she during the Holocaust?*

The Warsaw Ghetto