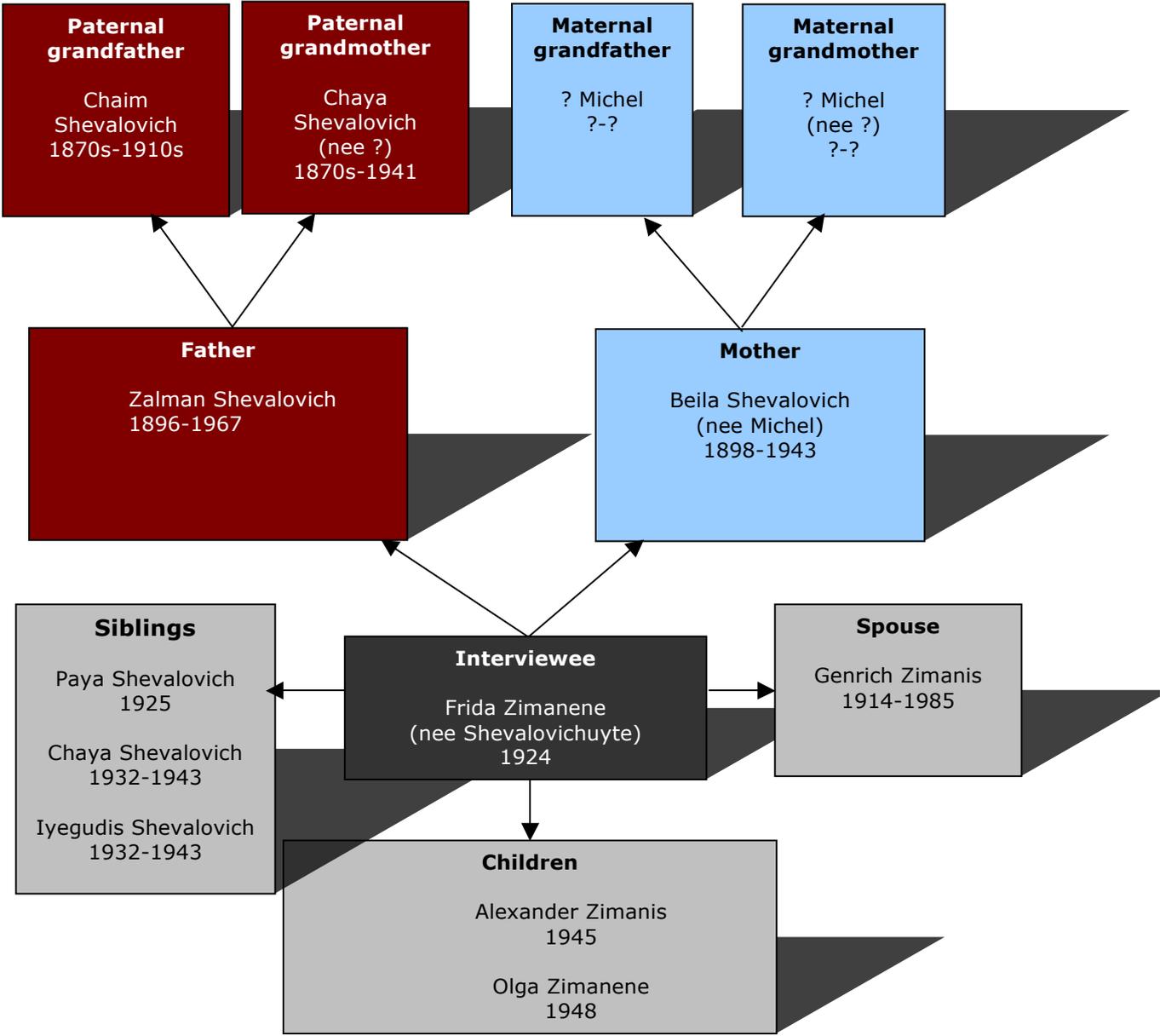


Family Tree



The interviewee and his family

Full name

Frida Zimanene (nee Shevalovichuyte)

Where and when were you born?

Kaunas, 23rd February 1924

Where else did you live?

Vilnius; Moscow, Nikolo-Pestrovka, Penza oblast (all today Russia)

Your educational level?

Vilnius Teachers' Training Institute, Foreign Languages Department

What sort of work do/did you do?

Taught English in Higher Party school, worked in a museum

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

My parents weren't religious, they went to the synagogue at times, they didn't cover their heads, celebrated some Jewish holidays as a tribute to the tradition

What is your mother tongue?

Yiddish

What other languages do you speak?

Russian, Lithuanian, German, English

Where were you during the Holocaust?

Evacuation: Nikolo-Pestrovka, Moscow (both today Russia)

What did you do after the Holocaust?

Got married, gave birth and raised two children, finished institute, worked, now I am involved in revival of Jewish culture.

Siblings

Their names

Paya Shevalovich
Chaya Shevalovich
Iyegudis Shevalovich

Where and when were they born?

All were born in Kaunas
Paya: 1925
Chaya: 1932
Iyegudis: 1932

What is their mother tongue?

All - Yiddish

Their educational level?

Paya: lyceum
Chaya: N/A
Iyegudis: N/A

Their occupations?

Paya: Housewife
Chaya: N/A
Iyegudis: N/A

Where do/did they live?

Paya: Vilnius, Nikolo-Pestrovka (today Russia)
Chaya: N/A
Iyegudis: N/A

Where else did they live?

Paya: Israel
Chaya: N/A

Iyegudis: N/A

Do they have children?

Paya: daughter Bella, born in 1948

Chaya: N/A

Iyegudis: N/A

Where and when did they die?

Chaya: Kaunas, 1943

Iyegudis: Kaunas, 1943

Spouse

Name?

Genrich Zimanis

Where and when was he/she born?

Kaunas, 1914

Where else did he/she live?

Vilnius, Moscow (today Russia)

Is he/she Jewish?

Yes

What is his/her mother tongue?

Yiddish

His/her educational level?

Kaunas University, literature department

Occupation?

Before war – taught literature at lyceum, then the secretary of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Lithuania, chief editor of Pravda, then chief editor of Communist journal

Where and when did he/she die?

Vilnius, 1985

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).

None

Children

Their names?

Alexander Zimanis
Olga Zimanene (kept maiden name after marriage)

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

My children are internationalists, they do not conceal that they are Jews. They identify themselves as Lithuanians.

Where and when were they born?

Both were born in Vilnius
Alexander: 1945
Olga: 1948

Their educational level?

Alexander: Vilnius Construction Engineering Institute
Olga: Vilnius Medical Institute

Their occupations?

Alexander: engineer, candidate of science
Olga: pediatrician

How many grandchildren do you have?

Alexander: Vladimir, born in 1976, financier, lives in Austria; Olga, born in 1980, an attorney, lives in Canada
Olga: Ruta, born in 1972, lives in Austria; Emma, born in 1978, Vilnius

Father

His name?

Zalman Shevalovich

Where and when was he born?

Kaunas, 1896

Where else did he live?

Vilnius

Where and when did he die?

Vilnius, 1967

What sort of education did he have?

Cheder

What sort of work did he do?

Tailor

How religious was he?

Father wasn't religious, didn't wear a kippah or tallith, sometimes went to the synagogue on Sabbath and on Jewish holidays.

What was his mother tongue?

Yiddish

Army service: which army and what years?

Did not serve

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
Sheina ? (nee Shevalovich)	Kaunas, 1890s- Kaunas, 1960s	Housewife	Jewish husband, 1880s-1920s	Elder daughter (name unknown) lived in Paris Younger daughter and two sons (names unknown) perished in Kaunas ghetto in 1940s	Rather religious

Where was he during the Holocaust?

Was in Kaunas ghetto, then in concentration camp Dachau (today Germany)

If he survived, what did he do after?

Lived in Vilnius, worked as a designer of clothes for children, got married for the second time

Paternal grandfather

Your paternal grandfather's name?

Chaim Shevalovich

Where and when was he born?

Kaunas, 1870s

Where and when did he die?

Kaunas, 1910s

What sort of education did he have?

Cheder

What sort of work did he do?

No information (probably a tailor)

How religious was he?

Grandpa was rather religious.

What was his mother tongue?

Yiddish

Army service: which army and what years?

Did not serve

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	describe how religious they were
No information					

Where was he during the Holocaust?

Died before

Paternal grandmother

Your paternal grandmother's name?

Chaya Shevalovich (nee ?)

Where and when was she born?

Kaunas, 1870s

Where and when did she die?

Kaunas, 1941

What sort of education did she have?

Jewish education at home

What sort of work did she do?

Housewife

How religious was she?

Grandmother was rather religious, covered her head, lit candles on Sabbath and celebrated Jewish holidays.

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	describe how religious they were

No information					
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Where was she during the Holocaust?

Was in Kaunas ghetto, perished during the action in 1941

Mother

Her name?

Beila Shevalovich (nee Michel)

Where and when was she born?

Kaunas, 1898

Where and when did she die?

Kaunas, 1943

What sort of education did she have?

Two or three grades of Jewish school

What sort of work did she do?

Owned a small haberdashery store

How religious was she?

Mother wasn't religious, went to the synagogue on Jewish holidays, sometimes on Sabbath, merely paying a tribute to the traditions, didn't light candles, celebrated Jewish holidays.

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	describe how religious they were
Rosa Katzene (nee Michel)	Kaunas, 1890s- 1943	Housewife	? Katzenis Jewish husband,	Two sons, perished in Kaunas ghetto	Observed traditions

			? – Kaunas ghetto, 1940s	in 1943	
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Where was she during the Holocaust?

Was in Kaunas ghetto, perished during its liquidation in 1943

Maternal grandfather

Your maternal grandfather's name?

? Michel

Where and when was he born?

No information

Where and when did he die?

Kaunas, date unknown

What sort of education did he have?

Cheder

What sort of work did he do?

No information

How religious was he?

Was rather religious (details unknown)

What was his mother tongue?

Yiddish

Army service: which army and what years?

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	describe how religious they were
No information					

Where was he during the Holocaust?

Died before

Maternal grandmother

Your maternal grandmother's name?

? Michel

Where and when was she born?

No information

Where and when did she die?

Kaunas, date unknown

What sort of education did she have?

No information

What sort of work did she do?

Housewife

How religious was she?

Was rather religious, don't know the details

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	describe how religious they were

	No information				
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Where was she during the Holocaust?

Died before