Descendants of EPHRAIM MOSES from Frielendorf/Hesse

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- 1 JOSEPH ISAAC HÖXTER was born in Freudenthal (near Borken). He probably was a son of ITZIG ABRAHAM, named there in 1744.¹
- **2 MOSES JOSEPH HECHT** was born in Freudenthal as son of Joseph Isaac Höxter. He got his permission to settle in Frielendorf on 01 Jan 1787, probably in case of his marriage. He had to pay 70 Reichstaler, a lot of money that time, to get this allowance. In Frielendorf he traded with some goods.

Moses Joseph was married to **SCHEINE** (KATZ?), who died between 1817 and 1819.² Moses Joseph died between 1814 and 1816 in Frielendorf.³

- + 3 Betti Bes Moses b 09 Aug 1794 Frielendorf
- + 4 Ephraim Moses b 12 Sep 1798 Frielendorf
 - 5 Feilchen Moses b 10 Aug 1801 Frielendorf
 - 6 Jettchen Moses b 12 Dec 1808 Frielendorf
 - 7 Leib Moses b? Frielendorf
 - 8 Gehla Moses b? Frielendorf, d bef 1817⁴ Frielendorf
- **3 BETTI BES MOSES** was born on 09 Aug 1794 in Frielendorf as daughter of Moses Joseph and Scheine. She married on 11 Nov 1826 **HAUNE BACHRACH** (from Mansbach?).⁵
- **4 EPHRAIM MOSES** was born on 12 Sep 1798 in Frielendorf as son of Moses Joseph and Scheine. He married on 29 Jun 1832 **RÖSCHEN STERN**, who was born in Raboldshausen in 1806. She was daughter of David Kaufmann Stern and Blümchen Flörshain. The family lived in Frielendorf, Witze 23 (today Witze 6). Ephraim Moses died in Frielendorf on 19 Mar 1839 at the age of 41 years, Röschen Stern Moses died there on 04 Jan 1872 at the age of 66 years.
 - 9 Scheine Moses b 23 May 1833 Frielendorf, d 03 Jan 1835 Frielendorf
 - + 10 Süßmann⁶ Moses b 21 Jul 1834 Frielendorf
 - 11 Sarchen Moses b 24 Feb 1836 Frielendorf, d 12 Apr 1852 Frielendorf
 - + 12 Moses Moses b 25 Nov 1837 Frielendorf
 - 13 Rebecka Moses b 17 Oct 1839 Frielendorf

10 SÜSMANN MOSES was born on 21 Jul 1834 in Frielendorf as son of Ephraim Moses and Röschen Stern. He married on 05 Aug 1857 **BETTI LEVI** from Sontra, who was born in Sontra in 1833 as daughter of Nathan Süsmann Levi and Röschen Rosenbaum. The family lived in Frielendorf, Witze 23 (today Witze 6). Süsmann Moses died in Frielendorf on 20 Jul 1879, Betti Moses died there on 27 Oct 1900.

14 Ephraim Moses b 11 Jul 1859 Frielendorf, d 21 Jan 1860 Frielendorf

¹ Hesse State Archive Marburg (HStAM) Best. 5 Nr. 2347.

² HStAM Best. 33b Nr. 211, 33b Nr. 260, Best. 47 Ziegenhain Nr. 17.

³ HStAM Best. 47 Ziegenhain Nr. 17.

⁴ HStAM Best. 47 Ziegenhain Nr. 17.

⁵ HStAM Protokolle II Eiterfeld 13 Nr. 7a.

⁶ There are different spellings of the name Süsmann in the different documents like Süßmann, Süsmann, Susmann, Susmann, Sußmann etc. For standardize the spelling Süsmann is used in this family tree.

- 15 Nathan Moses b 03 Dec 1860 Frielendorf, d 23 Mar 1863 Frielendorf
- + 16 Moses Moses b 12 Mar 1863 Frielendorf
 - 17 N.N. male b 12 Feb 1866 Frielendorf, d 13 Feb 1866 Frielendorf
- + 18 Isaac Moses b 20 Jun 1867 Frielendorf
 - 19 Sophie Moses b 17 Nov 1869 Frielendorf, d 14 Dec 1874 Frielendorf
 - 20 Rosalie Moses b 28 Jun 1874 Frielendorf, d 19 Apr 1875 Frielendorf

12 MOSES MOSES (Moses Ephraim Moses) was born on 25 Nov 1837 in Frielendorf as son of Ephraim Moses and Röschen Levi. He married on 03 Jan 1866 **JETTCHEN HEILBRUNN** from Heinebach, born in 1810 as daughter of Juda Heilbrunn and Röschen Kaiser. Jettchen Heilbrunn Moses died after having given birth on 03 May 1873 in Frielendorf at the age of 32 years.

- + 21 Jeanette Moses b 25 Sep 1866 Frielendorf
- + 22 Juda Moses b 08 May 1889 Frielendorf
 - 23 stillborn child, male, b 17 Apr 1873 Frielendorf

Moses E. Moses married twice on 18 Feb 1874 in Guxhagen **MIRJAM SPEIER** (Marianne Speier), born in 1848 as daughter of Moses Speier and Beile Katz. Moses E. Moses died in Frielendorf on 03 Jun 1909, Mirjam Speier Moses died there on 13 Dec 1926. Both were buried in the Jewish cemetery of Frielendorf.

- + 24 Röschen Moses b 16 Apr 1875 Frielendorf
- + 25 Bertha Moses b 22 Jul 1878 Frielendorf d 03 Jun 1909 Frielendorf
- + 26 Pauline Moses b 22 Sep 1880 Frielendorf
- + 27 Ida Moses b 28 Jan 1883 Frielendorf
 - 28 Ephraim Emil Moses b 12 Jun 1885 Frielendorf d 23 May 1886 Frielendorf
 - 29 Isaac Moses b 09 May 1887 Frielendorf, d 20 Apr 1888 Frielendorf



Moses Ephraim Moses



Marianne Speier Moses

16 MOSES MOSES (Moses S. Moses) was born on 12 Mar 1863 in Frielendorf as son of Süsmann Moses and Betti Levi. He married at the age of 27 on 16 Jun 1869 in Marburg **ERNESTINE NUSSBAUM** from Rhina, daughter of Meier Nussbaum and Jeanette Docter. Ernestine Nussbaum was sister of Mathilde Nussbaum, wife of her brother-in law Isaac Moses. Moses Moses was trader. He died on 03 Jun 1909 in Frielendorf and was buried in the Jewish cemetery there. Ernestine Nussbaum Moses died there on 13 Dec 1926.



- 30 Rosa Moses b 07 Sep 1891 Frielendorf, d 11 Dec 1891 Frielendorf
- 31 Sophie Moses b 08 Aug 1893 Frielendorf, d 07 Sep 1902 Frielendorf
- + 32 Süsmann Moses b 21 Jun 1895 Frielendorf
 - 33 Julius Moses b 29 Jan 1899 Frielendorf, d 04 Dec 1913 Frielendorf
 - 34 Erich Moses b 10 Jan 1901 Frielendorf, d 22 Sep 1902 Frielendorf

18 ISAAC MOSES was born on 20 Jun 1867 in Frielendorf as son of Süsmann Moses and Betti Levi. He was married at the age of 29 years on 09 Jun 1896 to **MATHILDE NUSSBAUM** from Rhina, daughter of Meier Nussbaum and Jeanette Docter. Mathilde Nussbaum was sister of Ernestine Nussbaum, wife of her brother-in-law Moses S. Moses. The family lived in Frielendorf, Bahnhofstr. 162. There they had a shop for linen.



⁷ Hartwig Bambey, Unter "Schutz", integriert, vertrieben, vernichtet und vergessen – Zur Geschichte der Juden in Frielendorf. Published in: H. Bambey, A. Biskamp, B. Lindenthal, Heimatvertriebene Nachbarn Bd. 1, Schwalmstadt-Treysa 1993, p 489-554.

Isaac Moses emigrated in 1935 to Amsterdam, Mathilde Nussbaum Moses followed in 1936. It seems as if he and his wife could escape to Palestine. Isaac Moses was expatriated on 12 Dec. 1940. He died in Haifa on 11 Tewet 1942, three years after Mathilde Nussbaum Moses.



German Jewish newspaper AUFBAU, 11 Mar 1942

- + 35 Rosa Moses b 08 Aug 1897 Frielendorf
- + 36 Siegfried Fritz Moses b 04 Jan 1900 Frielendorf
- + 37 Joseph Moses b 13 Apr 1902 Frielendorf
- + 38 Betti Betty Moses b 03 May 1905 Frielendorf

21 JEANETTE MOSES was born on 25 Sep 1866 in Frielendorf as daughter of Moses E. Moses and his first wife Jettchen Heilbrunn. She was married to **JONAS GOLDSCHMIDT** from Grumbach (Baden). The couple probabely escaped to New York, USA.⁸

22 JUDA MOSES (Benjamin Moses) was born on 08 May 1859 in Frielendorf as son of Moses E. Moses and his first wife Jettchen Heilbrunn. He married on 08 Oct 1896 in Kassel 25 years old **FRIEDERIKE REBECKA STERN**, who was born on 06 Oct 1870 in Ziegenhain as daughter of Hermann Stern and Lea (Helene) Katzenberg. Juda Moses had in Frielendorf a shop for shoes and boots.



Homberger Kreisblatt, 15 Oct 1910⁹

⁹ Hartwig Bambey, Unter "Schutz", integriert, vertrieben, vernichtet und vergessen – Zur Geschichte der Juden in Frielendorf. Published in: H. Bambey, A. Biskamp, B. Lindenthal, Heimatvertriebene Nachbarn Bd. 1, Schwalmstadt-Treysa 1993, p 511.

⁸ Hans-Peter Klein: http://jinh.lima-city.de/gene/speier2/speier.htm sowie http://www.geni.com/people/Jeanette-Goldschmidt/600000003724401484.

Later the family moved to Kirchhain, where the couple lived in the same house as the Jewish teacher Felix Moses, who was no relative. One year later Juda Moses died on 14 Jul 1935 in Kirchhain. He was buried in the Jewish cemetery of Kirchhain.

After his death his widow Friederike Moses moved on 17 Mar 1937 to Kassel. There she lived in Große Rosenstr. 20 and later Moltkestr. 10, before she was arrested on 27 Jan 1942 in Wartekuppe camp, a collecting detention point, in Kassel.



From there Friederike Moses was deported on 07 Sep 1942 to Theresienstadt Ghetto and further on to Treblinka extermination camp on 29 Sept 1942, where she was murdered.

- + 39 Jettchen Moses b 27 Jan 1898 Frielendorf
- + 40 Bernhard Moses b 05 Jan 1899 Frielendorf
- + 41 Emil Moses b 04 Mar 1901 Frielendorf
- + 42 Bella Moses b 24 Dec 1902 Frielendorf
- + 43 Rosa Moses b 06 Apr 1909 Frielendorf



Left to right: Bella Moses Meyerfeld Pardys, Friederike Stern Moses (seated), Emil Moses, Rosa Hermine Moses Kahn, Bernhard Moses (changed name to Gabriel M. Bernard), Juda Moses (seated), Jettchen Moses in their garden in Frielendorf in 1921 in case of the 25th wedding anniversary of Juda and Friederike Moses. 1920. ¹⁰

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¹⁰ Photo by courtesy of Bob Harris.

24 RÖSCHEN MOSES (Rosa Moses) was born on 16 Apr 1875 in Frielendorf as daughter of Moses E. Moses and his second wife Mirjam Speier. She was single, when she died on 12 Sept 1930 at the age of 55 in the Jewish hospital of Fulda by stomach cancer.



Rosa Moses, Jewish cemetery Frielendorf (Greve 2012)

25 BERTHA MOSES was born on 22 Jul 1878 in Frielendorf as daughter of Moses E. Moses and his second wife Mirjam Speier. She was married to **DAVID FEIERTAG**, who was born on 24 Jan 1878 in Adelnau (Odolanow), Poland.¹¹ He arrived in the U.S. in 1892 and was naturalized on 23 Aug 1905.¹² In the thirties of the 20th century the family lived in Newark, Essex, New Jersey, USA.¹³ The 1940 census says that the family moved to Ward 1, West New York. ¹⁴ David Feiertag died on 19 Oct 1946, Bertha Moses Feiertag died on 02 Mar 1951. Both were buried in Mount Judah Cemetery, Ridgewood, Queens, New York, USA.¹⁵

44 Helen M./Ellen Feiertag b 1916 Newark, NJ, USA

¹⁴ http://www.archives.com/1940-census/bertha-feiertag-nj-126658226

 $^{^{11} \,} http://www.geni.com/people/David-Feiertag/6000000003724455238; \, http://www.geni.com/people/Berta-Feiertag/600000003724326729\#.$

¹² 1920 Unites States Federal Census: http://search.ancestry.com/cgi-bin/sse.dll?gl=allgs&gsfn=David&gsln=Feiertag&gss=seo&ghc=20

¹³ https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:X4DL-M3Z.

¹⁵ http://www.findagrave.com/cgi-bin/fg.cgi?page=gr&GSln=Feiertag&GSbyrel=in&GSdyrel=in&GSob=n&GRid=97324510&.



Mount Judah Cemetery, Queens, New York

26 PAULINE MOSES (Lina Moses) was born on 22 Sep 1880 in Frielendorf as daughter of Moses E. Moses and his second wife Mirjam Speier. On 15 Feb 1906 she married in Speyer **HERMANN KAUFMANN**, born 11 Jan 1876 in Hilbringen near Merzig (Saarland). Hermann Kaufmann died in Los Angeles, Cal. on 10 Oct 1956, Lina Moses Kaufmann died there on 05 Jun 1982.

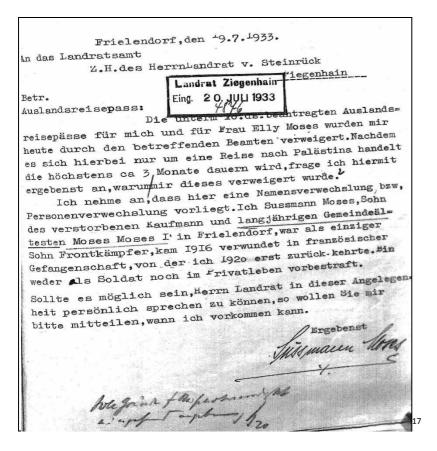
45 Fritz Kaufmann b 31 Jan 1907 Speyer, d 1931/32 Speyer 46 Lilli Karline Kaufmann b 21 Jan 1910 Speyer, d 15 Aug 2000 Beverly Hills, Cal., USA

27 IDA MOSES was born in Frielendorf on 28 Jan 1883 as daughter of Moses E. Moses and his second wife Mirjam Speier. She was married to **N.N. KAHN**. Ida Kahn was deported from Dortmund to Theresienstadt Ghetto on 29 Jul 1942. She perished there on 15 May 1943.

32 SUSSMANN¹⁶ MOSES was born on 21 Jun 1895 in Frielendorf as son of Moses S. Moses and Ernestine Nussbaum. He was married to ELLI GOLDNER from Gersfeld/Rhoen, probabely daughter of Abraham or Victor Goldener. The couple announced their engagement in May 1930 and their marriage on 25 Dec 1930 in the Jewish weekly of Kurhessen and Waldeck. In 1933 the couple decided at once to emigrate. They applied for passports and their application was proved seriously by the Nazi official. The Nazi mayor of Frielendorf denied the application pointing on the fact that Süsmann Moses was arrested in France in WW I and was speaking French very well. For he took part in the last election of March 1933 and had won a seat at the Frielendorf community parliament, the mayor feared that Süsmann Moses could tell in any emigration country the truth about the situation in Nazi Germany. Nevertheless, in July 1933 Elli Goldner Moses got a passport for Palestine.

Süsmann Moses forced his application by a letter, pointing that he want to travel for tree month to Palestine to look for a job and for a chance to settle there. But the NSDAP "Ortsgruppenleiter" denied his consent to a travel to Palestine. In very rough words he said: no travel, only exile!

¹⁶ Here the spelling Sussmann is used for it is known by his own sign.



Frielendorf, den Landrat Ziegenbri Eing. 27. JUL: 1933

An das Landratsamt,

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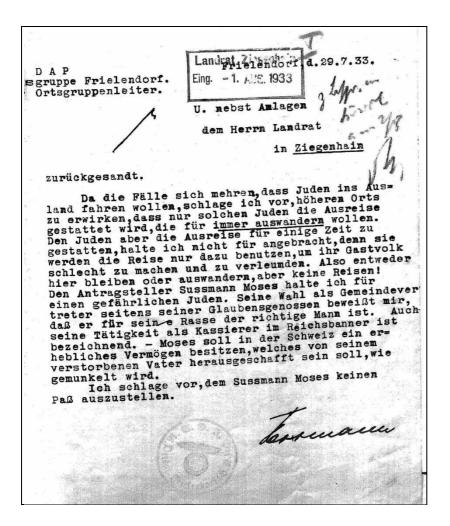
Bezugnehmend auf die heute gehabte Unterredung mit Herrn Kreisinspektor Witkugel erwidere ich Ihne: auf Ihr Schreiben vom 20.ds.

Die Netwendigkeit meiner Meise nach Palästina dient zur Orientierung der dortigen Verhältnisse, da ich beabsichte, mir dort eine neue Existens zu grün= den.Gleichzeitig ersuche ich Sie um Beschleumung meines Antrages, da ich mich über die klimatischen Verhältnisse des dortigen Sommers überzeugen möchte.

Thre gefl. Bestätigung meines Antrages entgegen sehend.

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¹⁷ HStAM Best. 180 Ziegenhain Nr. 4553 – in chronological order. First published in: Barbara Greve, Exil oder Tod. – Flucht und Vertreibung der Juden aus den Landgemeinden des Altkreises Ziegenhain. In: Bernd Lindenthal (Ed.), Heimatvertriebene Nachbarn, vol. 3, p 1-56. Schwalmstadt-Treysa 2008.



How Sussmann Moses really escaped is not yet known. The couple and Ernestine Moses (daughter?) were noted as moved away from Frielendorf on 19 Apr 1934. All their left property in Frielendorf was arrested by the Nazi government.¹⁸

47? Ernestine Moses b?

35 ROSA MOSES was born on 08 Aug 1897 in Frielendorf as daughter of Isaac Moses and Mathilde Nussbaum. She married on 09 Nov 1920 in Frielendorf the mercer **ERNST LEVY** from Berlin, Steinmetzstr. 20. Ernst Levy was born on 20 Mar 1881. The couple could escape from Nazi Germany.

36 SIEGFRIED MOSES (Siegfried Fritz Moses) was born on 04 Jan 1900 in Frielendorf as son of Isaac Moses and Mathilde Nussbaum. He was married to **GERDA ROSE**, b 09 Sep 1909 in Horstmar. Already on 31 Mar 1933 Siegfried Moses applied a passport. The couple emigrated with Siegfrieds parents to Amsterdam (Netherlands), where they lived in Geleenstraat 57.

Siegfried and Gerda Moses were arrested in Amsterdam and brought to Westerbork concentration camp. From there Gerda Rose Moses was deported to Auschwitz extermination camp on 14 Sep 1943. She died there on 30 Apr 1944.

Siegfried Moses was deported unknown date to Auschwitz extermination camp. He is named death on 23 Dec 1943 in Auschwitz-Monowitz.

¹⁸ Barbara Greve, Exil oder Tod. – Flucht und Vertreibung der Juden aus den Landgemeinden des Altkreises Ziegenhain. In: Bernd Lindenthal (Ed.), Heimatvertriebene Nachbarn, vol. 3, p 1-56. Schwalmstadt-Treysa 2008.

37 JOSEPH MOSES was born on 13 Apr 1902 as son of Isaak Moses and Mathilde Nussbaum. At the age of 24 he departed on 04 May 1926 by bike to the lake of Eder, 30 miles off Frielendorf. There his bike was found on 06 May, his body on 11 May 1926.



Joseph Moses, Jewish cemetery Frielendorf

(Greve 2012)

38 BETTI MOSES (Betty Moses) was born on 03 May 1905 in Frielendorf as daughter of Isaac Moses and Mathilde Nussbaum. She married ALBERT MOSES (no relative!), who was born on 15 Jul 1900 in Frielendorf as son of Süsmann Moses and Emma Gutkind. The couple lived in Frielendorf, Steinweg 74. Already in early 1933 Albert Moses sold all his property in Frielendorf and tried to emigrate. On her application for a passport in July 1933 Betty Moses indicated that they want to move to Alsace (France). But it will last till 12 Nov 1935, before Albert Moses got a passport for emigration. On 02 Oct 1936 the couple moved to Frankfurt/Main to force their emigration. From there they could escape to the USA, where they lived in New York City, 56 Bennett Av. Albert Moses died on 24 Jan 1976 in New York City.

39 JETTCHEN MOSES was born on 27 Jan 1898 in Frielendorf as daughter of Juda Moses and Friederike Stern. She was married to **MARKUS VERSTÄNDIG**, born 05 June 1901 in Siniawa, Galicia. After a stillborn Jettchen Moses Verständig died on 19 Oct 1925 in Frielendorf.

48 stillborn child, male, 15 Oct 1925 Frielendorf

The widower Markus Verständig married a second time on 09 Nov 1928 in Kirchhain **HERTA BACHENHEIMER**, born 24 Nov 1905 in Kirchhain as daughter of Markus Bachenheimer and Jettchen Wallach. The family lived in Witzenhausen, Ermschwerdter Str. 14, where Markus Verständig had a shop for daily goods. The daughter Ruth was sent by a "Kindertransport" to Brussels, and on 15 Jun 1939 her parents followed her from Witzenhausen to Brussels (Belgium) Rue Verte 8. On unknown

date the family was arrested there and deported on 18 Aug 1942 from Mechelen (Belgium) to Auschwitz extermination camp, where they all perished.

49 Ruth Verständig b 18 Oct 1929 Witzenhausen, d 1942 Auschwitz

40 BERNHARD MOSES was born on 05 Jan 1899 in Frielendorf as son of Juda Moses and Friederike Stern. He was married to **BETTY LÖWENSTEIN**, born 03 Apr 1906 in Meimbressen as daughter of Salomon Löwenstein and Rosalie Adler. By profession Bernhard Moses was mercer. The family lived in Kassel, Hohentorstr./Hohenzollernstr. 6. In November 1938 Bernhard Moses was transported to Buchenwald concentration camp. After his release the family emigrated to the U.S. There Bernhard Moses changed his name into **GABRIEL MOSES BERNARD**. He died on 10 Feb 1973 in Chicago, Ill. and was buried in Rosehill Cemetery and Mausoleum in Chicago, Ill. Betty Bernard died on 20 Feb 1998 in North Hollywood, Cal. She was buried in Eden Memorial Park, Mission Hills, Cal.

- + 50 Lore Helene Moses b 13 Jan 1930 Frielendorf
- +51 Ilse Moses b 1934 Kassel
 - 52 Steven James Bernard b 18 Dec 1945 Chicago, Ill., USA

41 EMIL MOSES was born on 03 Apr 1901 in Frielendorf as son of Juda Moses and Friederike Stern. He was married to **GUSTEL LEVA**, born on 03 Mar 1902 in Ruchheim (near Ludwigshafen/Rhineland-Palatinate). Gustel Leva probably was daughter of Jacob and Klara Leva from Ruchheim.

The couple lived in Homberg7Efze, Bischofstr. 6. They separated unknown date. Before 1933 Emil Moses lived in Kassel. He emigrated to France, where he was arrested at Drancy near Paris, a collecting detention point for arrested Jews. From Drancy Emil Moses was deported on 22 Jun 1942 to Auschwitz extermination camp, where he perished. Gustel Leva Moses fate is unknown.



Tumbling blocks of Gustel Leva's parents, Ruchheim²⁰

¹⁹ I thank Robert Harris for his information on Gabriel Moses Bernhard's family. His own family tree is following the ancestors of Gabriel Moses Bernhard.

²⁰ http://www.alemannia-judaica.de/images/Images%20168/Ruchheim%20Ort%20151.jpg.

42 BELLA MOSES was born on 24 Dec 1902 Frielendorf as daughter of Juda Moses and Friederike Stern. In 1925 Bella Moses was married to **MARKUS MAYERFELD**, born 12 Mar 1880 in Kirtorf near Alsfeld. Markus Mayerfeld sold feeding stuff in Kirchhain, Bella Mayerfeld had a shop for woman hats. On 17 Mar 1937 the family moved to Kassel and further on to Berlin. Here Bella Moses Mayerfeld had to work as forced laborer in a fabric called "Osram". The family holed up and survived by that way. On 09 Jun 1945 they came back to Kirchhain from Beneckenstein/Harz. Markus Mayerfeld worked in textile before the parents with their younger son emigrated to the U.S. The elder son Horst Mayerfeld, who was sent to Merzing near the French border in 1935, fought in the French underground and survived with his family.

Markus Mayerfeld died unknown date. Bella Moses Mayerfeld was married in the U.S. a second time to **WILLIAM PARDYS**, who was born on 18 Aug 1900. In 1980 Bella Pardys lived in San Diego, Cal., USA. William Pardys died at an unknown date.

- 53 Horst (Gerard) Mayerfeld b 20 Sep 1925 Kirchhain
- 54 Manfred Fred Mayerfeld b 29 Dec 1928 Kirchhain

44 ROSA MOSES (Hermine Moses) was born on 06 Apr 1909 in Frielendorf as daughter of Juda Moses and Friederike Stern. She was married in 1933 to **ALFRED KAHN**, born 09 May 1904 in Merzing (Saarland). Alfred Kahn died in 1990 in Alencon, France, Hermine Rosa Kahn died in 2000 in Jerusalem, Israel.

55 Beatrice Kahn b 27 Sep 1936 Alencon, France

Their daughter Beatrice Kahn Heffes gave a photo of her parents and herself to the USHMM.²¹ There is told the story of their life after 1935:

"In January 1935, Germany reclaimed the Saar region, and the following December, Alfred and Rosa decided to move to France. They settled in Alencon, Normandy (120 miles from Paris), having seen an ad in the paper for a store that was for rent that sold scrap metal. They bought a house nearby and rented the store. Beatrice was born a year later on September 27, 1936. They also found a house for her grandparents and an unmarried aunt who came as well.

In 1939, Beatrice's father and uncle as well as his brother-in-law were sent to Le Mans internment camp and then to Albi (30 miles from Toulouse, Southwest France) to Camp Saint-Antoine as they were foreigners. Rosa remained in Alencon until 1941 keeping the business running. When it no longer was feasible, she managed to sell the contents of the store and move to Albi to join her husband. Beatrice had jaundice and in addition contracted psoriasis due to the stress she was living under. Her mother took Beatrice to the Gestapo hoping to get travel papers for them so that she could go for a "cure" in Vichy. Rosa's cousin Gerard (Horst) Meyerfeld was living with them, and they all moved together to the South. They rented a small house which had no running water or bathroom 10 miles from Albi. Her father was able to leave the camp and work on farms in the area to help with the harvest. One farmer, Charles Gasser, noticed that Alfred did not drink wine at lunch and asked him

 $^{^{21}\} http://digital assets.ushmm.org/photoarchives/detail.aspx?id=1171524.$

"You are not from here?" He immediately offered that if he had any problems he could turn to him. Beatrice's mother went to this farm in order to obtain food and when he saw Beatrice he told her mother that they could sleep there when things became more difficult. Towards the end of 1942, Beatrice began to stay there regularly. She was given the name Beatrice Camp and began to attend school in September 1942. Her parents also assumed false names; Alfred became Albert.

At first her parents could visit her at the Gasser's farm. In September 1943, a gendarme warned her father that he was supposed to be deported but it was harvest time and he was working at the Gasser family. The Gasser family decided to help them escape. Beatrice's parents put her to bed and told her that they would have to leave. They had rented a place in an attic and went there by bicycle. In order to reach it, they had to cross a river which was guarded but luckily the guard was asleep and they managed to reach their hiding place. The couple that lived downstairs was paid to bring them food. The Gasser family did so as well. After four months, Mr. Gasser realized that their dark airless attic hurt their morale so he brought Alfred and Rosa back to his farm, hiding them in another spot. In fact, it was more than three weeks before Beatrice knew her parents had returned. Then she had to keep the secret and pretend she didn't know what happened to her parents because of the danger of denunciation.

After liberation, Beatrice and her parents returned to Alencon. They did not find anyone alive. Her grandparents, two aunts and uncles, three cousins had been deported to Auschwitz, as were two other uncles and her other grandmother. Beatrice continued studying in high school, boys and girls separately. At the age of 15, she went to boarding school as the local school was not challenging enough. In 10th grade, she was awarded a scholarship from the American Field Service and was sent to high school in Wilmington, Delaware, having studied English previously. There she lived with a Jewish family, and half of the school children were of the Jewish faith, which was a new experience for her. She returned to France working as a bilingual secretary in Paris.

Beatrice married a man from Egypt she met at a Seder in France. She had 3 children, 19 grandchildren as well as 7 great-grandchildren. She immigrated to Israel in 1996 following in her children's footsteps. In 2001, Yad Vashem honored Charles and Maria Gasser and their son Jean as Righteous of All Nations."

51 LORE HELENE MOSES was born on 13 Jan 1930 in Kassel as daughter of Bernhard Moises and Betty Löwenstein. On 14 Feb 1950 she married in Chicago, Ill., USA. **CARL ALBERT GERDEN**, who wa born on 21 Apr 1923 in Boston, Mass., as son of Carl A. Gerden and Ellen K. Kristensen. Carl Albert Gerdeen died on 29 Nov 1974 in Framinton, Mass.

Lore Helene Moses Gerden is married a second time to **CHARLES STONE**, born on 8 Jan 1900 in Palm Beach, Fl.

- 56 Caren Lynn Gerden b 15 Aug 1955 Chicago, Ill., USA
- 57 Ellen Gerden b 1961 Chicago, Ill., USA

52 ILSE GISELA MOSES was born in 1934 in Kassel(?) as daughter of Bernhard Moses and Betty Löwenstein. She could emigrate and married in the U.S. **CHARLES ALBERT HARRIS**, born on 27 Jan 1932 in Chicago, Ill., USA; as son of Philipp William Harris and Rose Gertrude Kesert. Charles A. Harries died on 05 May 1986 in Los Angeles, Cal., USA. He was buried in Eden Memorial Park, Mission Hills, Cal., USA.

- 58 Robert Scott Harris b 10 Jan 1959 (Chicago, Ill., USA)
- 59 Janet Helen Harris b 09 Oct 1961 Chicago, Ill., d 18 Apr 211 Los Angeles, Cal., USA
- 60 Vicky Harris b 12 Feb 1963 (Chicago, Ill., USA)

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²² http://digitalassets.ushmm.org/photoarchives/detail.aspx?id=1171524.

<u>General sources:</u> Hesse Main State Archive Wiesbaden, Abt. 365 Frielendorf; Hesse State Archive Marburg, Best. Frielendorf; German Memorial Book, Bundesarchiv; http://www.yadvashem.org.