



Eta, Adele and Leon Rubinstein

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Information:
Date: 1937
Physical Condition: Good

Notes:

Photograph with white borders. Outdoor scene. From l. to r., are the Eta Rubenstein, 10 years old at the time, and Adele Rubenstein, 6 years old at the time. On the r. is their father Leon Rubenstein. Between Eta and Adele is a mascot in a bear costume. The family is posing in front of a wooden house with a rounded door. Narrative: Eta and Adele Rubenstein are the donor's cousins and Leon is the donor's uncle. Sara Ostrzega, nee Rubenstein, was born on 1923-05-13 in Lodz, Poland. Very shortly after the war broke out, Sara and her family were forced out of their house and into the Lodz ghetto. In 1944-08, the Rubenstein family was deported to Auschwitz. During the registration there, she and her mother were separated from her father and brother. They only stayed in Auschwitz for three days, and were then transported to Stutthof, where a large number of people were needed for the production of ammunition. Sara remained in Stutthof concentration camp for three months, before she was brought to Dresden. There she lived in a factory building, also forced to produce ammunition. On 1945-03-11, they were forced on a train to go to Theresienstadt camp-ghetto. Sara managed to flee from the train and remained hidden for four weeks. In 1945-05, she returned to Lodz, where she found that her father, uncle and brother were still alive. Her cousin Eta survived the Holocaust but her uncle Leon perished in Stutthof concentration camp in 1944.

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