UNITED STATES HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL MUSEUM

THE DATABASE OF HOLOCAUST SURVIVORS AND VICTIMS NAMES
Finding the individual stories

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What is HSV?

www.ushmm.org/hsv

The Museum's Database of Holocaust Survivor and Victim Names contains records on people persecuted during World War II under the Nazi regime including Jews, Roma and Sinti, Poles and other Slavic peoples, Soviet prisoners of war, persons with disabilities, political prisoners, trade union leaders, "subversive" artists, those Catholic and Lutheran clergy who were seen as opponents of the regime, resisters, Jehovah's Witnesses, male homosexuals, and criminal offenders, among others.

mm/dd/yyyy 📅   mm/dd/yyyy 📅   **Search**

All records as of May 16, 2022
Total number of name records (all person types): 12,020,797
Total number of list records: 44,921
Number of name records available on the web (non-restricted): 9,282,841
Number of list records available on the web (non-restricted): 44,559
Number of lists associated with names: 15,243
Number of names in Survivor Registry: 210,262

Number of names having digital files: 3,415,949
Names with Media added in FY2011: 793,458
Names with Media added in FY2012: 143,218
Names with Media added in FY2013: 34,303
Names with Media added in FY2014: 99,882
Names with Media added in FY2015: 431,411
Names with Media added in FY2016: 413,680
Names with Media added in FY2017: 526,178
Names with Media added in FY2018: 312,826
Names with Media added in FY2019: 379,838
Names with Media added in FY2020: 48,651
Names with Media added in FY2021: 172,174
Names with Media added in FY2022: 60,330

How can you search in HSV?

Search for Names

Search by names, dates, places, prisoner number, or nationality. Find names from USHMM collections as well as collections from other institutions.

Search for Lists of Names

Search through a broad range of historical documents including census records, registration forms, ghetto inhabitant lists, death lists, concentration camp or displaced persons camp lists, and more.

SEARCH FOR NAMES

[SEARCH ❯] or [START OVER ❯]

[Sort by Relevance ▾] [25 results per page ▾]

NAME

Last Name: ❓
[_____] [Exact ▾] ❓

First Name: ❓
[_____] [Exact ▾] ❓

Maiden Name: ❓
[_____] [Exact ▾] ❓

ALL FIELDS ❓
[_____]

SEARCH WITHIN NAME LISTS ❓

To restrict your name search to specific name list(s), enter the Source ID for each list. Separate each ID with a space. If you don't know the Source IDs, Browse Name Lists and select only those you want to search.

[_____]

You can also search and select a source below. The source ID will be inserted in the box above.

[Enter the List names to be included... ▾]

DATE

Year of Birth: ❓
[_____] [Exact ▾]

Year of Death: ❓
[_____] [Exact ▾]

All Years: ❓
[_____] [Exact ▾]

PLACE

All Places: ❓
[_____] [Exact ▾] ❓ ☑ Include geographic name variants ❓

Birth Place: ❓
[_____] [Exact ▾] ❓ ☑ Include geographic name variants ❓

Pre-war Place: ❓
[_____] [Exact ▾] ❓ ☑ Include geographic name variants ❓

Wartime Place: ❓
[_____] [Exact ▾] ❓ ☑ Include geographic name variants ❓

Death Place: ❓
[_____] [Exact ▾] ❓ ☑ Include geographic name variants ❓

OTHER

Prisoner Number: ❓
[_____]

Nationality: ❓
[_____]

[SEARCH ❯] or [START OVER ❯]

SEARCH FOR LISTS

[SEARCH ❯] or [START OVER ❯]

[Sort by Person counts ▾] [25 results per page ▾]

All Fields: ❓
[_____]

All Titles: ❓
[_____]

Original Language Titles: ❓
[_____]

Title (In English): ❓
[_____]

Creator: ❓
[_____]

List Type: 🔍
[_____]

Date (yyyy-mm-dd): ❓
From: [_____] To: [_____] [All ▾]

Sex: 🔍
[_____]

Language: 🔍
[_____]

Persecution Status: 🔍
[_____]

Nationality: 🔍
[_____]

Place: ❓
[_____] [Exact ▾] ❓ [All ▾]
☑ Include geographic name variants ❓

Source Id: (Staff use only)
Separate each Source ID with a space
[_____]

[SEARCH ❯] or [START OVER ❯]

Search Results

On the Museum network

Will see almost all results (there are a few staff only collections).
Attached documents/images will be visible and downloadable.

Off the Museum network

Results limited to unrestricted indexes.
Will not include results from the Survivor's Registry. Most results will not have images available to view. However, any name result with an image will have the option to request attached documents.

On the Museum network

1. Kopelman, Leon
   - **Birth place:** Paris, France
   - **Former name:** Leon Kopelman (name before the war)
   - **Source:** Benjamin and Vladka Meed Registry of Holocaust Survivors

2. Kopelman, Nikolay
   - **Birth place:** Užhorod, Czechoslovakia
   - **Former name:** Miklosh Kopelman
   - **Source:** Benjamin and Vladka Meed Registry of Holocaust Survivors

3. Kopelman, Joel
   - **Birth date:** 18 Oct 1892
   - **Source:** [Death Notice]
   - **Collection:** The elders of the Jews in the Łódź ghetto

4. Kopelman, Judko
   - **Birth date:** 15 Aug 1886
   - **Birth place:** Wengrow, Wengrow, Polen
   - **Other name:** Jankiel Kopelman; Jakob Kopelman
   - **Source:** Names from the 1939 German Minority Census

Off the Museum network

1. Kopelman, Joel
   - **Primary Media:** You can request a digitized copy of the original document by submitting the **Document Request Form**.
   - **Birth date:** 18 Oct 1892
   - **Source:** [Death Notice]
   - **Collection:** The elders of the Jews in the Łódź ghetto

2. KOPELMAN, Zofia
   - **Birth date:** 1936
   - **Birth place:** Konskie
   - **Source:** Polish Children Survivors
   - **Collection:** [Holocaust Survivors and Victims Resource Center digital indices]

3. Kopelman, Pinchas
   - **Birth date:** 1895
   - **Birth place:** Pilc
   - **Source:** [Name data of Holocaust victims gathered for the Stockholm Holocaust Monument]
   - **Collection:** [Holocaust Survivors and Victims Resource Center digital indices]

4. Kopelman, Lumirmil
   - **Media:** You can request a digitized copy of the original document by submitting the **Document Request Form**.
   - **Birth date:** 4 Mar 1907
   - **Birth place:** Wasyliszki
   - **Source:** Prisoner of war personal cards
   - **Collection:** Registration cards of the Jewish prisoners of war from the camps in Lublin

JOEL KOPELMAN

Date of Birth:	18 Oct 1892
Address:	Litzmannstadt Getto, 15 Strasse N 9 Wohnung 25
Occupation:	Kaufmann
Father's Name:	Naftul Kopelman
Mother's Name:	Frymeta Kopelman
Date of Death:	24 Jan 1941
Primary Media:	Source 37600: RG-15.083M.RG-15_083M_0185

https://digitalarchives.ushmm.org/Microfilm/RG-15.083M/0185/RG-15.083M.0185.00000759.jpg

SOURCE

Title:	[TODESANZEIGE]
Description:	This grouping contains death notices for people who died in the Łódź Ghetto. The death certificates include the date the certificate was filled out, the name, address, age, and occupation of the person reporting the death, the name of the person who died, their occupation, marital status, religion, address, place and date of birth, name of parents, date and place of death, and names of survivors. A few of the death notices have a slightly different format. These ones include name of deceased, their occupation, date and place of birth, religion, primary language, address, marital status, information about their spouse and parents, date and time of death, cause of death, and number of children.

[TODESANZEIGE] (ID: 37600)

Title in English: [Death Notice]

Description: This grouping contains death notices for people who died in the Łódź Ghetto. The death certificates include the date the certificate was filled out, the name, address, age, and occupation of the person reporting the death, the name of the person who died, their occupation, marital status, religion, address, place and date of birth, name of parents, date and place of death, and names of survivors. A few of the death notices have a slightly different format. These ones include name of deceased, their occupation, date and place of birth, religion, primary language, address, marital status, information about their spouse and parents, date and time of death, cause of death, and number of children.

List Type: Individual document

List Organized By: Not Applicable

Generating Agency: Der Aelteste der Juden in Litzmannstadt ABTEILUNG STANDESAMT

Document Date: 15 Jul 1940 - 23 Aug 1944

Sex: Male and Female

Language:
- German
- Polish

Persecution Status: Jew

Number of Persons (Est.):   15000 - 25000

Number of Pages (Exact):   6168

Legibility: Moderately Legible Text

Legibility: Moderately Legible Text

Document Format: Typed and Handwritten

Place of Incarceration: Litzmannstadt-Getto, Łódź, Poland

Place of Death: Łódź, Poland

Keyword:
- Ghetto
- Vital statistics

Media File: ▾ View

Reel: 182 - 191

File Number:
- 946 - 949
- 951 - 957
- 959
- 961

Staff Notes: For better quality of scanned documents, please contact the Archiwum Państwowe w Łodzi (Polish States Archives in Łódź), Record group: Przełożony Starszeństwa Żydow w Getcie Łódzkim; File 1-21105. Email: kancelaria@lodz.ap.gov.pl

FROM COLLECTION

Title: Przełożony Starszeństwa Żydow w Getcie Łódzkim

Instant Document Delivery

HOLOCAUST SURVIVORS AND VICTIMS DATABASE ✕

Request a digitized copy of the original document for:

JOEL KOPELMAN (6294417)

* Required fields

* Your First Name:

[Enter first name]

* Your Last Name:

[Enter last name]

* Your E-mail: (Do not use your school e-mail, which may block the reply e-mail that we send.)

[Enter e-mail address]

* Re-enter your E-mail:

[Confirm e-mail address]

* Your Country:

[Please enter your Country...   ▾]

* Reason for Request:

[Please select a reason...   ▾]

Tell us more about your request:

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SEND REQUEST ❯   **CANCEL ❯**

CONTACT US FOR FURTHER QUESTIONS

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Document Delivery began in July, 2015

Automated Delivery began in June, 2017

Received 192,954 request

Delivered 253,110 documents

Sent to 31,305 individual requestors

From 126 countries

Users can submit this form an link to view/download the image will sent to their email almost immediately.

Holocaust Survivors and Victims Database, Personid 6294417 (Joel Kopelman)

Holocaust Survivors and Victims Database

4:15 PM (4 minutes ago)

to me

Dear Sarah Kopelman-Noyes,

Thank you for your request for a copy of the following document regarding **Joel Kopelman** from 37600_RG-15.083M in the archival holdings of the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum.

- RG-15.083M.0185.00000759.jpg
  (https://www.ushmm.org/online/hsv/wexner/cache/1652732106-2382003-RG-15.083M.0185.00000759.jpg)

The document is available for viewing and download until May 30, 2022, 4:14 PM EDT. Click on the link above to view the file. To save to your computer, please right click on the link and select "Save link as..."

For more information about the document, please read the source record [TODESANZEIGE]. Restrictions on use may apply. If the source record indicates the document is from International Tracing Service (ITS), please consult the e-Guide ITS for explanations of the document.

If you have submitted additional requests for copies of other documents, you will receive them in a separate answer. If you are interested in conducting further research, please visit www.ushmm.org/resourcecenter to learn about the services the Museum provides.

The Museum is continually digitizing collections and making them available online. If you did not find what you were looking for, please come back to check in the database.

The Museum maintains the Benjamin and Vladka Meed Registry of Holocaust Survivors, which contains over 209,000 records related to survivors and their descendants from around the world. It is an invaluable tool that helps survivors and their families trace missing relatives and friends. All survivors are encouraged to register, and family members may register survivors posthumously. If any of your relatives survived the Holocaust, please register them in our Survivor Registry. You can download the registration form in various languages from www.ushmm.org/Registry.

To learn more about the Holocaust or about ways you can support the Museum, please visit our homepage at www.ushmm.org.

Please help us spread the word about our database and the document delivery service by posting this database www.ushmm.org/hsv in your social media groups.

Sincerely,

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Where else can you access HSV results?

Przełożony Starszeństwa Żydow w Getcie Łódzkim

📄 Document | Accession Number: 2000.126 | RG Number: RG-15.083M

Contains various documents of the record group Przełożony Starszeństwa Żydow w Getcie Łódzkim, 1939-1944. Consists predominantly of the records of Chaim Mordechai Rumkowski, the Eldest of the Jews in the ghetto in Łódź, Poland, and of his administration. Included are letters, announcements, circulars, charts, publications, reports, essays, name lists, and photographs.

Alternate Title	Der Aelteste der Juden vom Litzmannstadt-Getto The elders of the Jews in the Łódź ghetto
Date	inclusive: 1939-1944
Language	Polish Yiddish German
Genre/Form	Registers. Photographs. Letters. Announcements. Circular letters. Essays. Reports.
Extent	794,030 digital images : JPEG ; 417 GB. 707 microfilm reels (digitized) ; 35 mm.
Credit Line	Forms part of the Claims Conference International Holocaust Documentation Archive at the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum. This archive consists of documentation whose reproduction and/or acquisition was made possible with funding from the Conference on Jewish Material Claims Against Germany.

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SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIALS

▤ FINDING AID (ENGLISH)
▤ INDEX
▤ REGISTER (ENGLISH)

AVAILABILITY

✅ Digitized
✅ Available for Research (On-site Only)

🏛 PLAN A RESEARCH VISIT
✉ REQUEST IN SHAPELL CENTER READING ROOM
▦ VIEW NAMES OF SURVIVORS AND VICTIMS IN THIS COLLECTION

FIND ON MUSEUM NETWORK

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Ask Reference Desk for help accessing this file.

https://www.ushmm.org › hsv › person_advance_search ⋮

72 - Holocaust Survivors and Victims Database -- Search for ...

KOPELMAN, Henia. Source: THE LITHUANIAN HOLOCAUST NAMES PROJECT; Collection: [Holocaust Survivors and Victims Resource Center digital indices] ...

https://www.ushmm.org › hsv › person_advance_search ⋮

580 - Holocaust Survivors and Victims Database -- Search for ...

14493. Koper, **Henia**. Primary Media: You can request a digitized copy of the original document by submitting the Document Request Form. Birth date: 1924; Birth ...

Where do we get our indexes/lists?

- Partnership with Ancestry to index collections within the Museum's holdings

  - World Memory Project

  - International Archival Copied Collections

- Indexes donated by individuals or groups

- Benjamin and Vladka Meed Registry of Holocaust Survivors

- Name Discovery Tool

  - Names from other international Holocaust-related institutions. These names will appear in an HSV search, but users will be taken to the source archives when they click on the result.

Name Discovery Tool

By the end of FY2021, we have added more than 3,757,000 names to the Name Discovery from seven institutions around the world.

- International Tracing Service (ITS) Digital Collections Online (3,176,214)

- Kazerne Dossin, Belgium (25,845)

- Memorial Archives, Flossenburg, Germany (238,745)

- NS-Documentation Center of the City of Cologne (NSDOK), Germany (5,571)

- Polish Center for Holocaust Research, Poland (33,433)

- Camp Westerbork Memorial, Netherlands (101,403)

- Das Bundesarchiv, Germany (176,462)

13. Aachmann, Carl (View the record on the Memorial Archives's website)
- **Birth date:** 31 Oct 1915
- **Birth place:** Skive
- **Source:** Memorial Archives

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

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