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Q: Good morning, G R. This is the 26<sup>th</sup> of March, 1997. I'm Dr. P L of Rice University for Holocaust Museum Houston and we welcome you here to share with us your story. Would you please state your full name?

A: My name is G R.

Q: And would you spell that for us?

A: G (with an accent on the ) R.

Q: Do you have a Hebrew name?

A: Yes, my name is Meir Gedalia- M E I R new word G E D A L I A.

Q: Where were you born?

A: I was born in Budapest on the 12<sup>th</sup> of August, 1940.

Q: Would you spell Budapest for us?

A: B U D A P E S T.

Q: Did you live in Budapest after that for a while?

A: Yes. My father had a factory in Budapest and we lived there. And I also know we lived with the great-grandmother of my mother. And, somehow, during the war, I was living with three grandmothers— my mother's mother and her grandmother and also my father's mother.

Q: All in the same place or different places?

A: All in the same place. And I had the feeling it was the same household, but it's possibly that they were simply neighbors.

Q: Right. What was your mother's name?

A: K E .

Q: Can you spell that for us?

A: K E - and there's also an accent on the first A - and Eisler, the family name is E

Q: And where was she born?

A: She was born in a village there. I've written it down.

Q: Can you remember how to spell it?

A: No. No.

Q: Here, you can spell it for us if you would.

A: Thank you very much. That's Abanjsxánto — I don't know if this is the right way of how to say it, but it's A B A N J S X Á N T O. That's a village on the Posta in the great plain of Hungary.

Q: And that's where you lived with your grandmothers in that village?

A: That's right, yes.

Q: When you would live with them.

A: Yes.

Q: What date was she born?

A: My mother?

Q: Yes.

A: That was the 6<sup>th</sup> of September, 1918.

Q: Who were her parents?

A: Her parents were I — that's her mother — and her father was Bella.

Q: How do you spell I ?

A: I

Q: And do you know her maiden name?

A: Hold it. Her maiden name was A — A

Q: And her father?