

Going 'Home' – Anna Bergman

Anna had lived in Prague with her husband before the war. She survived the Terezin ghetto, Auschwitz-Birkenau and Mauthausen. Whilst living in the ghetto Anna became pregnant.



Her first baby died of illness, but she became pregnant for a second time and managed to conceal this pregnancy whilst in Auschwitz-Birkenau. She gave birth days before liberation in a wagon on her way into Mauthausen concentration camp.



Credit: Eva Clarke

In the short piece of testimony from the USC Shoah Foundation Institute she describes arriving back in Prague, with her baby daughter, on the 19 April 1945.

She describes the darkness, lack of people and the how the hope she had held onto disappeared on her return.

Going 'Home' – Leon Greenman



Leon Greenman lived in Rotterdam with his wife and child before the War. He survived a number of camps including Westerbork, Auschwitz-Birkenau and Buchenwald. After liberation it took him a further seven months to make his way back to Rotterdam.

In the short piece of testimony from the USC Shoah Foundation Institute he describes the first few moments of being re-united with his father in Rotterdam on 11th October 1945, and his need to find other people he had known before the War.



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