A Tale of Two Sisters

Staying Together



Cela and Bluma



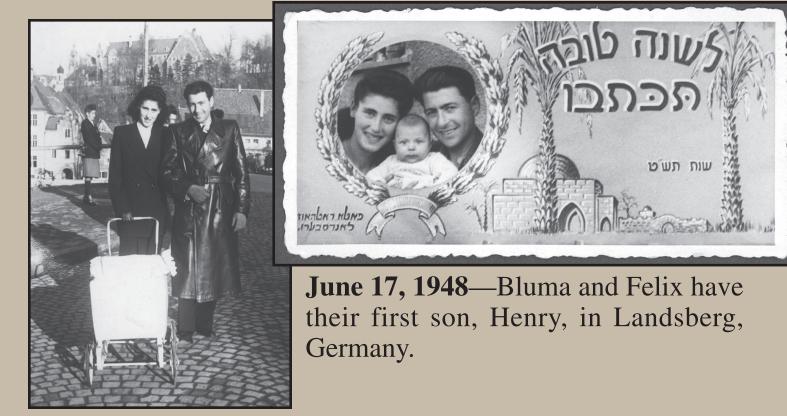
"A 16 year old girl with no parents, no experience, and no sanitation anywhere, there was no hope for the end of the war, certainly no hope of defeat for the Germans. Only the solace of having my big sister there, knowing we would die together. What had happened to my world, and what had happened to my beautiful family?" Bluma Tishgarten Goldberg, June 22,1998



April 29, 1945--LIBERATION--The sisters are liberated from Kaufering VI in Turkheim by the 12th Armored Division of the United States Army, and taken to Holzhausen Hospital near Landsberg Germany where they are nursed back to health.

June, 1945-1949—Cela and Bluma move to a displaced persons camp (DP Camp) in Landsberg where they meet their future husbands, David Miller and Felix Goldberg. The 2 men were companions during the war and liberated from Buchenwald Concentration Camp on April 11, 1945. During this time, the sisters learn that their mother and sisters perished in Treblinka Concentration Camp and their father and brother died, only a few months before liberation, while fighting with the resistance.

July 9, 1946— Double wedding for Cela and David Miller, and Bluma and Felix Goldberg at the DP camp.



May 12, 1949—Cela and David Miller emigrate to the US and settle in Columbia SC with the assistance of United Jewish Appeal and Hadassah.



Spring, 1950—Following the lead of Cela, Bluma, Felix and young son, Henry, emigrate to the US and join the Millers in Columbia, SC. Both families become an active part of the Columbia Jewish Community.







Cela and David have 2 children after their arrival in the US, Rita and Henry. Both children marry and produce 2 grandchildren each for Cela and David. The Millers run 3 successful package store businesses. Cela Tishgarten Miller passes away on March 19, 2000.



Bluma and Felix add 2 more children to their family, Karl and Esther. They have a total of 7 grandchildren and one great grandson. The Goldbergs have a successful tile business and have welcomed their 3 children and their spouses into the business. Felix Goldberg passes away on November 24, 2000.

