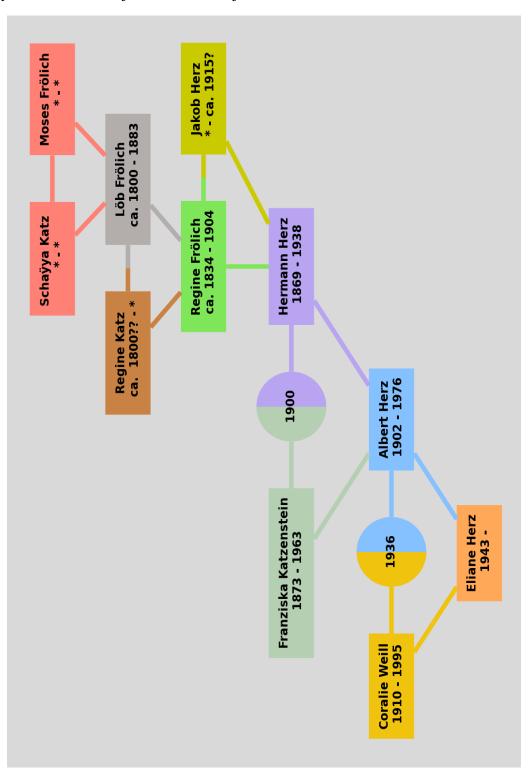
The Haiger Group

The following chart shows the known ancestors of Eliane Herz (1) on her paternal grandfather's side. Her paternal grandmother's side is discussed in the chapter "Common Ancestors". Her mother's side is discussed in the book, *An Alsation Jewish Story/The Ancestors of Coralie Weill of Marmoutier*.



Eliane Herz (1)

Eliane Herz Eliane Herz-Fischler (1) 1943.01.23, Limoges -- [BD, MD, P].

Roger Fischler Roger Herz-Fischler (2) 1940.02.22, New York -- [BD, MD, P].

See "The Hilchenbach Group" for a summary of his life

marriage: 1964.04.12, New York.

The Name "Herz-Fischler"

Eliane had used Eliane Herz Fischler (without the dash) on her 1977 doctoral thesis. Then in 1982, after eighteen years of marriage, we decided to combine our original family names. We started using it in France during the sabbatical year 1982-1983 when we were away from people who knew us as "Fischler". The name of all members of the family was legally changed from Fischler to Herz-Fischler when we returned to Ottawa in the summer of 1983. The province issued Mychèle and Seline new Ontario birth certificates with the new family name. Rachel, Mychèle's daughter, decided that she too wanted have Herz-Fischler as her family name and it too was legally changed. That brought the world total to five persons!

To avoid confusion, in this book Eliane and Roger are referred to as Eliane Herz and Roger Fischler respectively.

children:

- 1. Mychèle Erica Herz-Fischler. 1969.01.24, Thornhill, Ontario -- .
- 2. Seline Denise Herz-Fischler, 1972.06.29, Ottawa, Ontario -- .

A summary of Eliane's life appears below. Her book, *Ma Famille*, provides more details and contains many more pictures.

The Parents of Eliane Herz

Coralie Weill (11) 1910.03.21, Marmoutier -- 1995.08.07, New York [BD, MD, DD, P].

See An Alsation Jewish Story for her ancestors

Albert Herz (12) 1902.09.07, Haiger -- 1976.12.12, New York [BD, MD, DD, P].

marriage: 1936.02.03, Marmoutier [MD, P].

children

- 1. **Arlette Herz** 1940.04.22, Paris --She married Henry Strauss (1959.09); children: Karen, Susan, Wayne.
- 2. **Eliane Herz** (1) 1943.01.23, Limoges -- ; see above.



Clermont-Ferrand, 1975.09: Mychèle, Coralie, Eliane, Albert, Seline

The following is a very brief summary of some of the salient events in the lives of this family; they are described in more detail in Eliane's book *Ma Famille*:

Albert Herz grew up in the town of Haiger, some 100 km north of Frankfurt, where he worked with his father in the livestock business. Coralie Weill was the daughter of a butcher in the small Alsatian town of Marmoutier, some 30 km west of Strasbourg. In September of 1935 Albert Herz fled Nazi Germany and went to the home of his sister, Gerda Herz, who lived in Belfort, France. The couple met when Gerda Herz invited Coralie Weill to come for Rosh Hashannah. They married in February of 1936 -- see the marriage photo in the frontispiece -- and in June of 1937 they moved to Paris, where Albert Herz worked in the wholesale cloth industry.

Their lives changed dramatically in September of 1939 with the outbreak of WWII. Albert Herz joined the French Foreign Legion and was stationed in Morocco until he was demobilized in March of 1941, in the city of Limoges. Fortunately for him

Limoges was located at that time in the non-occupied portion of France. In August of 1941 he found work as a logger in the hamlet of Chéronnac. While Albert Herz was in the Foreign Legion the couple's daughter Arlette was born in Paris in April of 1940. In late 1941 Coralie Weill crossed the demarcation line to join Albert Herz in Chéronnac. Eliane was born in Limoges in January of 1943 and the family lived in Chéronnac, together with Albert's mother Franziska Katzenstein. Once the war was over the family was able to return to their apartment in Paris.



1960s: Coralie Weill, Albert Herz at Le Mont-Dore

Another major change in their lives was the result of Arlette's visit to New York in the summer of 1957. During that time she became engaged and this, coupled with Albert Herz losing his job, as well as the tense political situation in France linked to the colonial war in Algeria, led to the family's decision to emigrate in September of 1958. In the meantime Arlette broke off the engagement and and later married Henry Strauss. Roger took Eliane to some college dances, and often saw her, along with her parents, but a romance only developed in December of 1963 when he returned from graduate studies in Oregon; see under the Hilchenbach group for more of the story. They became engaged on January 6, 1964 and were married in New York on April 12, 1964. They moved to Oregon where Eliane completed her Bachelor's degree and Roger his doctorate. Then in the summer of 1965 they drove their 1950 Ford (price \$100) to Toronto where Eliane obtained her master's degree and Roger taught in the mathematics department for five years.

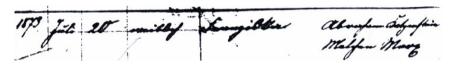
In 1970, when Mychèle was a year and a half, the family moved to Ottawa and settled into their new home at 340 Second Avenue. Roger taught at Carleton University for thirty-four years and Eliane taught at the University of Ottawa. After obrtaining her doctorate at the Sorbonne in 1977, she was involved in renovating houses and later on

she worked with immigrants and refugees, teaching them English as well as literacy.

The Paternal Grandparents of Eliane Herz The Parents of Albert Herz

Franziska Katzenstein (121) 1873.07.20, Allendorf bei Frankenau -- 1963.02.23, Belfort, France [BD, MD, DD, P].

As her BD indicates she is the baby seated on her mother's lap in the 1874 family portrait (see "Common Ancestors"):



Herman Herz (122) 1869.03.22, Altenkirchen, Kreis Wetzlar -- 1938.01.19, Haiger [MD, DD, P].

He was a cattle dealer and we have a photograph of him at a cattle market. DVD

marriage: 1900.10.22, Haiger.

children:

- 1. **Rosa** *Rosie* **Herz** 1901.08.26, Haiger -- 1957.08.03, New York.
- 2. **Albert Herz** (12) 1902.09.07, Haiger -- 1976.12.12, New York; see above.
- 3. **Gertrude** *Gerda* **Herz** 1903.12.13, Haiger -- 1963.02.08, Belfort, France.
- 4. **Else Herz** 1907.02.08, Haiger -- 1968.06.05, Lima.



ca. 1911: Albert, Hermann, Franziska

On August 5, 1937 twelve adults and three children, who were apparently the last Jews left in Haiger, gathered for a group photograph. Among this group were Franziska Katzenstein and Hermann Herz, who would pass away less than six months later. He signed -- at least we presume that it is his handwriting -- the photograph of himself with a little girl named "Inge".





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Hermann Herz's (?) note on the back of the photograph



The above photograph shows the Jewish cemetery in Haiger. Herman Herz's grave is on the left and it is the only Jewish tomb with a headstone. On right is a headstone for Polish workers conscripted by the Nazis.

Paternal Great-Grandparents of Eliane Herz The parents of Hermann Herz

We know the names of the parents of Hermann Herz from his marriage certificate:

Regine *Rosa***Fröhlich** (122•1) ca. 1834, Ulrichstein -- 1904.02.28, Haiger [DD]. **Jakob Herz** (122•2) *, Altenkirchen? -- ca. 1915, ??.

marriage: Ulrichstein?

Uusally -- but not always -- couples married in the home town of the bride. The records for Ulrichstein start in 1876 and those for Haiger in 1874, which is unfortunate since we can not use the MD to determine the names of the parents of Jacob Herz.



Haiger - Altenkirchen - Ulrichstein

How was the Marriage Arranged?

One would always like to know how couples met; was it due to geographical or family relationships or was the marriage arranged by a third party? In the present case we see from the above map that Altenkirchen lies on a fairly direct route between Haiger and Ulrichstein. Thus it is possible that the families knew one another.

children:

- 1. **Herman Herz** (12); see above.
- 2. **Abraham Herz** *, Altenkirchen? -- *, New York.

He married Hilda Wertheim. They had two children Kurt (ca. 1904 -- 2008) and Ruth.

This is another example of knowing somebody who could have answered many questions. Just as was the case with other "elderly" people he was simply referred to as "Uncle Abraham". Unfortunately, no one ever told Eliane that in this case it was not just a respectful way of addressing him and that he was indeed the uncle of Albert Herz.

- 3. Moses Herz.
- 4. Susan Herz.

She and a daughter were deported by the Nazis.

- 5. Frieda Herz.
- 6. Moritz Herz

According to Albert Herz he had emigrated to New York ca. 1892. There is an immigrant listing for a German butcher of that name, dated September 29, 1897. He was said to be twenty years old which would be a reasonable date for a brother of Hermann Herz. His last address was Aachen and not Haiger.

Where and When did Jakob Herz Pass Away?

The 1904 death certificate of Regine Fröhlich gives the names of her parents and her birth place, namely Ulrichstein. The certificate says that she was the wife of Jakob Herz, but it does not say that he was deceased, something that would have been noted.

Albert Herz, who was in his teens during WWI, recalled that his grandfather had passed away during the war. For that reason I have written "ca. 1915". Since two of Jakob's sons were living in Haiger, and his wife had died there, one would assume that he too had lived out his life in Haiger. However, my own search, going well into the 1920s, and that of the Haiger archivist, Frau Kasteleiner, did not turn up a death certificate. Frau Kasteleiner suggested that I look at the records in the nearby, larger, town of Dillenburg in case he had died in the hospital there. However, a search through the Dillenburg records again turned up empty. The same was true for Ulrichstein, the home town of his wife. I also searched the records of the nearby town of Herborn which had a larger Jewish community. We know that Jakob Herz lived in Altenkirchen, but it hardly seems likely that he would have returned there, and a 2008 request to Hohenahr (Altenkirchen is now a district of Hohenahr) again failed to locate the record.

Two Times Paternal Great-Grandparents of Eliane Herz The Parents of Regine Fröhlich

From the 1904 death certificate of Regine Fröhlich we learn the names of her parents:

Regine Katz (122 • 11) * -- a. 1834 and b. 1876?, Ulrichstein?.

Löb Fröhlich (122 • 12) ca. 1800, * -- 1883.06.28, Ulrichstein [DD].

children:

1. **Regine Fröhlich** (122•1); see above.

There was another Regine Fröhlich who passed away on November 11, 1920, at the age of eighty-two, in Ulrichstein. This would make her about four years younger than the present person, so she might have been a cousin. She was married to a man named Riess, but the name of her parents are not given.

2. ? **Johanmette Fröhlich** ca. 1840, Ulrichstein? -- 1908.06.12, Ulrichstein.

Her father's name was Löb Fröhlich, as was the case with Regine Fröhlich, but the mother's name is now "Jette". It is possible that "Jette" was her surname although on her DD Regine Fröhlich is called Rosa, which I presume was the latter's surname.

Three Times Great-Grandparents of Eliane Herz The Parents of Löb Fröhlich

We learn their names from the death certificate of Löb Fröhlich:

Chaya Katz (122 • 121) *.

Moses Fröhlich (122•122) *.

There are documents from Ulrichstein with the names "Moses Fröhlich the Second" and "Moses Fröhlich the Third". There are also other documents for people named "Fröhlich".