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Who am I and what is my interest in genealogy?

Very briefly, genealogy has added enormous dimension to my life through intellectual information. But even more importantly, genealogy added a whole new close family of over 50 persons that would have been otherwise lost to me.

Me.

American-born only son of very Hungarian parents

Retired high-tech exec.

Not a genealogist in the most rigorous sense of the term

More of a story collector/teller.

Over 60 years ago I discovered I had not only a Christian and but also a Jewish background obscured by the Holocaust.

For over these past 60 years I have deeply researched, pursued and collected both family and relevant world history. This work revealed a rich family past interwoven in major world events.

This same research revealed and connected me to a large, living and breathing current family of over 50 persons. I never would have come to know well and love these extended family members without my hunger to locate and gather everything about the family past.

My current efforts are to record, in a book, the intertwined family stories and key world historic events so the past family persons are not forgotten: "For they most certainly Lived and Loved and some Greatly Suffered.

And, importantly, I must create a lasting link to our new extended family that I found which are separated by distance, language, culture and religion:

"That they not be lost to the fog of time."