

LILLY SEGELSTEIN

Dear Children of the Future:

My name is Lilly Segelstein. I came to the Kansas City area in the year 1954 because my late husband Boris and I had to believe that there was a better life in America. We had experienced such sadness and suffering. Kansas City provided us with a community that honored our past and gave us opportunity for the future.

My proudest accomplishments since coming to the United States are raising three wonderful children, putting them through college, and watching them raise their own children in the Jewish faith.

The Midwest Center for Holocaust Education is important for Kansas City because it keeps history alive so we may never forget the atrocities of WWII. It provides education for the youth and a home for the memories of those who perished.

From studying the Holocaust, you should learn that ignorance and indifference can lead to destruction and evil. That only through education and an open mind will we survive and flourish.

My message for you, our future generation, is be strong together as Jews. Be tolerant, kind and respectful of the world around you. We are all God's children and must teach our children from an early age.

Very truly,

Lilly Segelstein
Klucserka, Czechoslovakia
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