

Curriculum vitae of Eugenie Frischmann née Schwarz

Eugenie Schwarz was born on 26 July 1880 in Częstochowa (Czenstochau), Poland. The only references to Eugenie Schwarz's parents can be found in her compensation file and on an immigration card for Brazil concerning her sister Stephanie Rupp, née Schwarz. According to this, her father's name was Josef Schwarz and her mother's was Rosalie Moszkowski.

Her sister, the opera singer Stephanie Rupp née Schwarz, was born on 26 July 1884 in Warsaw, Poland. On 15 January 1930, she married the pianist Franz Rupp (1901-1992), 17 years her junior, in Berlin. In 1930, Stephanie and Franz Rupp lived at Prinzregentenstr. 77. Their last place of residence was New York, USA, where Stephanie Rupp, née Schwarz, died in April 1975.

On 6 January 1899, Eugenie Schwarz married the merchant Adolf Frischmann (ca. 1869-4 December 1932 in Berlin, Germany), who was born in Łódź (Poland). Their son, the later illustrator, caricaturist and graphic artist Marcel Bolesław Frischmann (also known as Marcel Frishman), was born in Łódź on 4 August 1900. He fled Germany in 1933 together with his wife, the sculptor and graphic artist Margret (Grete) Kroch (1896 in Leipzig, Germany-1972 in London, England). Marcel Frishman died in London, England, in 1952. His younger sister Ernestine Hammerschmidt, née Frischmann, was also born on 5 February 1902 in Łódź, Poland.

The family came to Berlin around 1906 and lived at Ringbahnstr. 6 (Berlin-Charlottenburg), Landhausstr. 52 (Berlin-Wilmersdorf), Berliner Str. 31 (Berlin-Wilmersdorf) and finally at Kufsteiner Str. 57 (Berlin-Schöneberg). From 1934, Eugenie Frischmann was listed in the Berlin directory as a widow at the address Bamberger Str. 30 in Schöneberg. From an unknown date, she lived in the household of her daughter Ernestine Hammerschmidt, her husband Fritz Hammerschmidt and her grandson Anselm at Prinzregentenstr. 92.

Eugenie Frischmann was a member of the Jewish Community of Berlin. 'From 19 September 1941, she was forced to wear the Yellow Star and, despite her age, had to endure dishonourable abuse and threats, so that she no longer dared to go out on the street,' her daughter Ernestine Hammerschmidt, née Frischmann, recorded in the compensation files in 1957.

The compensation files also state that on 1 March 1944, Eugenie Frischmann was 'arrested by the Gestapo and taken to the Berlin Schulstrasse collection camp and deported at the age of 63 ½ on the 50th transport to the East' on 9 March 1944, together with her nine-year-old grandson Anselm Hammerschmidt and her son-in-law Fritz Hammerschmidt. Also on 9 March 1944, the districts of Lichtenberg, Zehlendorf and Lichterfelde were bombed.

On 19 July 1947, Eugenie Frischmann, née Schwarz, was declared dead by a decision of the Berlin-Charlottenburg district court. The date of death was 23 March 1944, and the place of death was Auschwitz.

Sources: ancestry, Bundesarchiv, BLHA (Brandenburgisches Landeshauptarchiv), Arolsen Archives, LaBo (Landesarchiv für Bürger- und Ordnungsangelegenheiten)

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