

# My Legacy Story



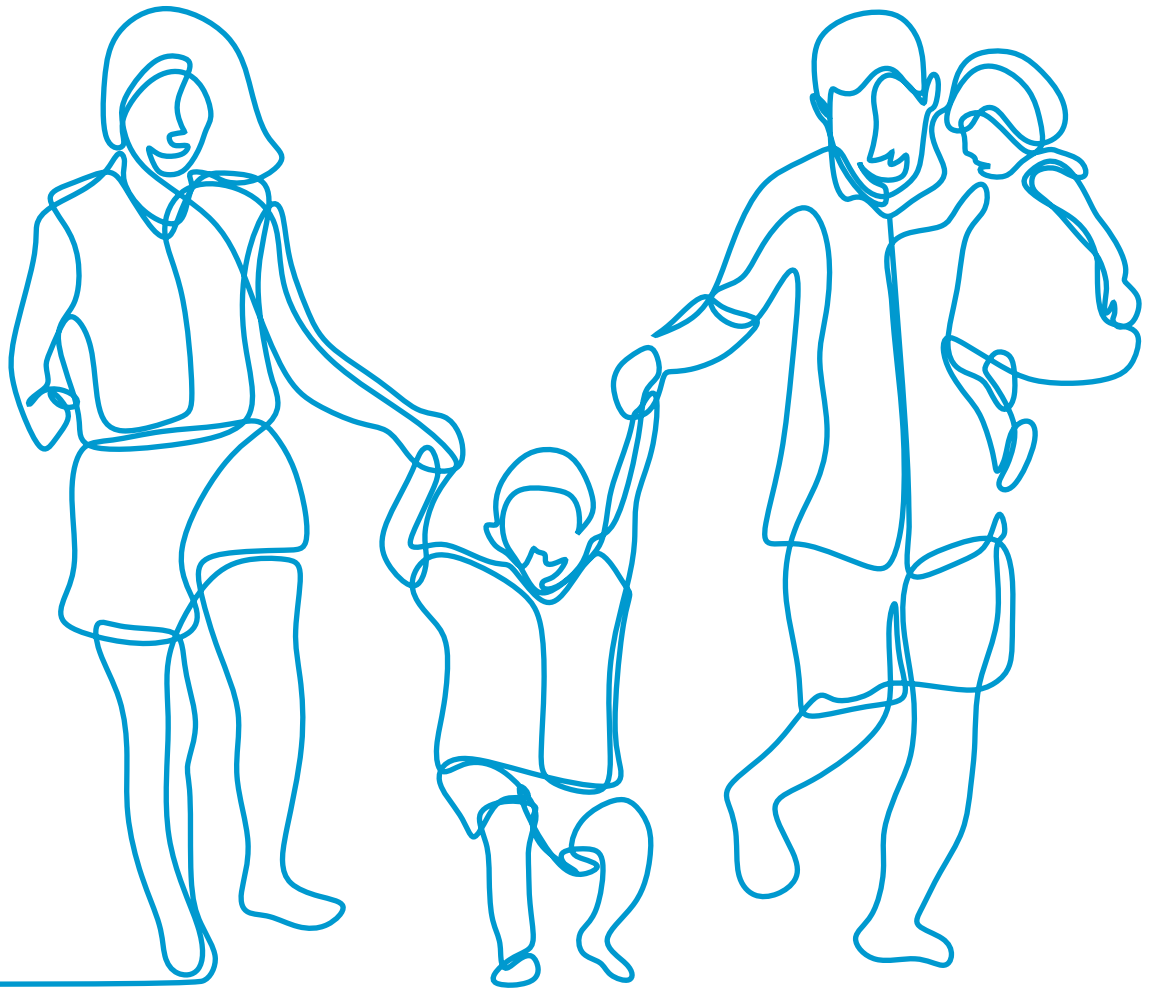
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*A gift from our family to yours*  
– Federation CJA

**My Legacy Story is dedicated to**

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**Date** \_\_\_\_\_



***As my ancestors planted for me, so too I plant  
for my children and my children's children.***

– Talmud

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# My Childhood

I have been blessed with a long life. Every story has a beginning...

I was born in \_\_\_\_\_

(City, Province, Country)

on \_\_\_\_\_

(Date)

to \_\_\_\_\_

(Parents' Names)

I was given the Jewish name \_\_\_\_\_

I was named after \_\_\_\_\_

This is what I was told about the day I was born:

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One of my earliest and most cherished memories is:

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My classmates from school would remember me as:

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**When I was growing up, my favorite thing about being Jewish was:**

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**In some families, going to synagogue is a deeply meaningful ritual. This was my experience growing up:**

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**My Bar/Bat Mitzvah was on:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**at** \_\_\_\_\_

(Name of Synagogue, City, State/Country)

**and it was a special time in my life because:**

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**Childhood is a time to play, learn, and grow. That was many years ago, but one lesson that has always stayed with me is:**

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# My Loved Ones

I want to tell you about my family, friends, and mentors.

My parents taught me the importance of:

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My most significant romantic relationship has been with:

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We met when:

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My favorite thing about this person is/was:

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**My children, grandchildren, nieces, and nephews have brought great joy to my life. My hope for them is that they:**

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**These are the mentors that helped shape my Jewish Identity:**

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**They taught me:**

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**The friend I have known the longest/has been my closest friend is:**

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**Our friendship is important to me because:**

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# My Journey

I've experienced great joy, adventure, and hardship along the way.

The happiest days of my life were when:

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Some of my most memorable travels have been to:

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My most important/cherished Jewish experience was when:

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**My greatest adventure was when:**

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**The most difficult time in my life was when:**

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**I overcame it by:**

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**I still have much to see and do! I plan to:**

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# Facts About Me

I want to share some details about my life with you.

If I entered a talent show, my talent would be:

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My favorite song is \_\_\_\_\_

My favorite Jewish holiday is \_\_\_\_\_

Because \_\_\_\_\_

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My favorite book is \_\_\_\_\_

I want to learn how to \_\_\_\_\_

My favorite Jewish food is \_\_\_\_\_

I once won an award for \_\_\_\_\_

I am most proud of \_\_\_\_\_

My favorite family recipe is \_\_\_\_\_

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My favorite Jewish (or non-Jewish) quote is:

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My first car was \_\_\_\_\_

My first job was \_\_\_\_\_

My worst job was \_\_\_\_\_

My favorite color is \_\_\_\_\_

My pet peeve is \_\_\_\_\_

My favorite sport is \_\_\_\_\_

My favorite season is \_\_\_\_\_

My favorite sound is \_\_\_\_\_

The chore I always put off is \_\_\_\_\_

I am most afraid of \_\_\_\_\_

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My hero is \_\_\_\_\_

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Because \_\_\_\_\_

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# A Word of Advice

I have learned many things along the way.  
I want to share some of that wisdom with you.



The best advice I was ever given was from:

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This person told me to:

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The hardest lesson I ever learned was when:

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Being Jewish has taught me many things. One of the most important is:

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**My advice for someone who has just graduated from university is to:**

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**My advice for a newly married couple is to:**

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**My advice for a new parent is to:**

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**Most importantly, never forget to:**

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# My Legacy

My beliefs and values have been guiding principles in my life. I hope my story inspires yours.



The principles that have guided me in my life are:

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Looking back, what I like most about how I've spent my time is:

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My greatest accomplishment(s) has/have been:

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**Judaism has shaped my values in the following ways:**

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**Tzedakah (defined as justice or righteousness, e.g. philanthropy or volunteerism) is an important value to me because:**

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**My favorite way to practice tikkun olam “repairing the world” is to:**

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**Perhaps that is why the following causes/organizations have been so important in my life:**

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**My hope for the future is a world in which:**

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# The War in Israel

The October 7 attack has affected the Jewish community across the world. Here is what I have learned about myself, my family, and my community:

On October 7, I was...:

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The war has influenced my connection to Israel in this way:

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The Jewish community is coming together in the following ways:

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I predict this will change the world in the following ways:

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**This is what has worried me most here at home:**

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**I think society can work to combat antisemitism and promote tolerance by:**

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**The lessons I have learned from the war(s) in Israel that I believe are important for younger generations to understand:**

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**My hopes for the future of Israel and the next generations:**

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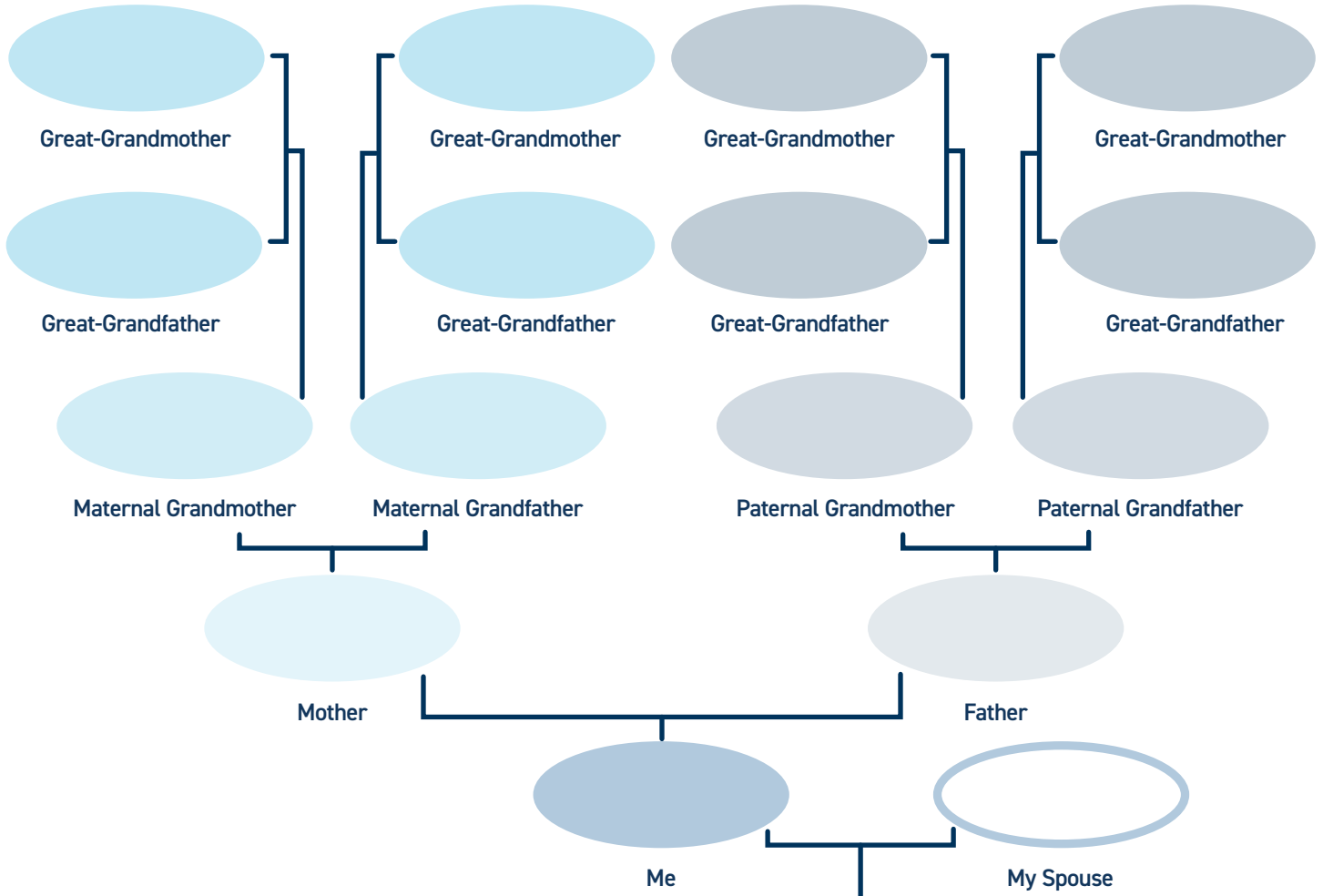
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# My Family Tree



**I hope my Legacy Story inspires you to write your own. May each of your chapters be filled with love, courage, and cherished memories.**



*If I am not for me, who is for me;  
and if I am (only) for myself, what am I.  
And if not now, when?*

— Hillel, Ethics of the Fathers, 1:14

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