

**Descendants  
of  
Solomon Hindin  
(b. abt. 2858, Minsk, Russia)**

In this record, persons are numbered consecutively. If they married and are known to have children, there is a plus sign (+) in front of their name, which indicates that additional information about them can be found in the next generation.

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## First Generation

1. **HINDIN** was born (date unknown). The name Hindin is likely derived from "Hinde," which is a version of Hanah (via Hendl, Henda). Hindin, then, would mean a "descendant of Hannah." It must also be pointed out, however, that the word "hinde" is German for a female deer, from which the name Hindin may be derived. Kaganoff, Benzion C., A Dictionary of of Jewish Names and their History, Schocken Books (1977).

According to Beth Hatefutsoth, with the museum of the Jewish Diaspora in Israel, the name Hindin and its derivatives--Hindes, Hindus, Indis, Indes--are variants of hinde, meaning hind in German, the female counterpart of hirsch, the German for stag/deer. Hirsch and its numerous variants are secular equivalents of the Biblical Naphtali, whom Jacob compared to "nimble hart." These surnames are also associated with the biblical female given name Hannah. (Provided by Andrew Black)

The Russian spelling of the name "Hindin" is "Gindin". This is the spelling of the name on Solomon Hindin's passport.

HINDIN had the following child:

- +2 i. **Solomon (Shlomo) HINDIN**, born about 1858, Minsk, Russia; died November, 1910, New York, New York.

## Second Generation

2. **Solomon (Shlomo) HINDIN** was born about 1858 in Minsk, Russia. He died in November, 1910 at the age of 52 in New York, New York. He was buried on December 1, 1910 in Mount Zion Cemetery, Maspeth, New York. According to Mel Hindin, Solomon was born in a small village outside of Minsk, Russia. Also according to Mel Hindin, Solomon and his family lived in the Schlov Giberna District of Moscow. Despite being Jews, they were allowed to live in Moscow because Solomon's father was an ironmonger (blacksmith) who made the gates for one of the Czar's palaces.

This information in the last two sentences of the preceding paragraph appears to be wrong--that is, Schlov is not a District near Moscow. Rather, Shklov is a town in Belarus. Based on the benevolent society which paid for Solomon's burial (Schklover Independent Benevolent Association), Solomon was likely from the village of Šklou or Shklov, a town in the Mogilev Province of Belarus, located 35 km north of Mogilev on the Dnieper river. Shklov is located about 100 km northeast of Minsk and 300 km southwest of Moscow.

According to the 1905 Jewish Encyclopedia, Jews settled in Shklov at an early period, probably in the beginning of the sixteenth century. Its location on the boundary-line between Russia and Poland often subjected Shklov to the devastations of war, and the Jews, who constituted the greater part of the population, were generally the greatest sufferers. In 1655 the town was destroyed by the Cossacks; in 1708 it was sacked by the Swedes under General Löwenhaupt; and in 1812 it was invaded and pillaged by Napoleon's army.

The Jews of Shklov in 1905 numbered about 12,000, or nearly 88 per cent of the total population. At the time, the city has two synagogues, twenty-seven Jewish prayer-houses, a government school for Jewish children, a

Jewish hospital, and a number of other educational and charitable institutions. The Jews carried on an extensive trade in wheat and other merchandise.

According to family lore, Solomon was a silversmith in Russia. The government demanded that he desist practicing his craft unless he would convert to Christianity. Rather than convert, Solomon and his wife Bertha emigrated to New York around 1890. Solomon and Bertha had 13 children, one or two of whom died aboard ship en route to America and was buried at sea. In America, Solomon became a plumber. He put plumbing in tenement houses on the East Side of New York. (All of the foregoing is according to Harvey Hindin.)

The ship manifest for the S. S. Moravia, arriving in the Port of New York on September 22, 1892, lists a Shlomo Hindin (age 30; occupation is locksmith), his wife Breine (age 30), daughter Chane (age 5), daughter Mosche (age 11 months) and son Moses (age 1 month). The handwriting on the manifest is difficult to read, but numerous clues strongly suggest that the family shown on the manifest is the family with which we are concerned here. First, Solomon's Naturalization Application shows his date of arrival in the United States as September 15, 1892, which is close to the actual arrival date; second, the ages on the Naturalization Application and the manifest match, suggesting a 1863 date of birth; third, the name of his wife in his son Barnett's birth record is listed as "Brenney", which corresponds to the name on the manifest (Breine).

According to the State of New York Certificate and Record of Birth of Solomon's son, Barnett Hindin (No. 28977), Solomon (age 40) and his wife "Brenney" (age 38) were born in Russia and on June 26, 1898 lived at 224 Cherry Street in New York, New York. (Cherry Street is located on the East Side of Manhattan between the Brooklyn Bridge and Manhattan Bridge.) Solomon's occupation is shown to be a plumber. Solomon and his wife are shown to have had eight children by 1898, only four of whom are said to be living at that time.

According to the 1900 Census, Solomon and Bertha Hindin were living at 231 Cherry Street, New York, in 1900. Cherry Street is on the Lower East Side between the Manhattan Bridge and the Brooklyn Bridge.

According to the Naturalization Application of Solomon, dated August 8, 1904, Solomon was living at 12 Rutgers Place, New York, New York. His occupation is a plumber. He is shown to have arrived in the United States on September 15, 1892.

According to the 1910 Census, Solomon Hindin, 45, and Bertha Hindin, 43, were living at 12 Rutgers Place (known as Monroe St.), with their family: Anna Hindin, 20, Minnie Hindin, 18, Joseph Hindin, 16, Ben Hindin, 11, Louis Hindin, 9, Dora Hindin, 7, and Victor Hindin, 5. Solomon, Bertha, Anna and Minnie are shown to have immigrated from Russia in 1892. Solomon is shown to be a contractor, Bertha a janitor, Anna a millner and Minnie an examiner. Rutgers Place (Monroe St.) is located just a block from Cherry St., where the family was living in 1900.

According to the online records of Mt. Zion Cemetery in Maspeth, New York, Solomon Hindin was buried December 1, 1910 by the Schklover Society, which is a Jewish Benevolent Society that paid for the burials of immigrants from Schklov, Belarus.

**Bertha MAIZEL** was born in 1860. She died on May 16, 1932 at the age of 72 in New York, New York. She was buried on May 17, 1932 in Mount Zion Cemetery, Maspeth, New York. According to the Application for Social Security Account Number signed by Benjamin Hindin on May 21, 1942, Benjamin's mother's name was Bertha Maizel. According to Mel Hindin, after her husband, Solomon's, death, Bertha took in borders to survive.

According to the 1900 Census, Bertha was born in May 1863.

According to the 1930 Census, Bertha, age 70, was living with her son Victor, age 25, at 1425 43rd St. in Brooklyn, New York.

The following obituary appeared in the May 17, 1932 edition of the New York Times:

Hindin--Bertha, widow of Solomon, mother of Joseph S., Louis, Ben, Victor, Anna Brahms, Mildred Kramer, Dora Sacks. Funeral Tuesday, May 17, 10 A.M., from Zion Memorial Chapel, 41 Canal St., Manhattan. Interment Mount Zion Cemetery.

Solomon (Shlomo) HINDIN and Bertha MAIZEL had the following children:

- +3 i. **Louis HINDIN**, born March 17, 1900; married Hilda TANNENBAUM; died July, 1976, Brooklyn, Kings Co., New York.
- +4 ii. **Victor HINDIN**, born November 21, 1904, New York, New York; married Sadie UNKNOWN, November 18, 1982, Palm Beach, Florida; died January 21, 1986, Broward Co., Florida.
- +5 iii. **Mildred HINDIN**, born July, 1891, Russia; married Unknown KRAMER.
- +6 iv. **Dora HINDIN**, born January 24, 1902, New York, New York; married Isidore SACKS.
- +7 v. **Anna HINDIN**, born May, 1888, Russia; married Isidor BRAHMS.
- +8 vi. **Joseph Selig HINDIN**, born September 13, 1893, New York, New York; died September 2, 1952, New York.
- +9 vii. **Benjamin HINDIN**, born June 26, 1898, New York, New York; married Sarah Jane CHARAPP, June 2, 1925, Pittsburgh, Allegheny Co., Pennsylvania, at the Rittenhouse Hotel; died June 21, 1981, Pittsburgh, Allegheny Co., Pennsylvania.

## Third Generation

3. **Louis HINDIN** was born on March 17, 1900. He died in July, 1976 at the age of 76 in Brooklyn, Kings Co., New York. According to Louis' WW I Draft Registration Card, he was born on September 10, 1900. This is different than the 1900 Census Record.

According to the 1940 census, Louis was living at 2337 East 26th Street in Brooklyn, New York, with his wife Hilda (b. 1901) and their children Sally (b. 1937) and Rita (b. 1931). His occupation is shown to be Dental Medicine.

According to the Social Security Death Index, a Louis Hindin, born July 18, 1900, died in July 1976 in Brooklyn, Kings, New York.

Louis HINDIN and Hilda TANNENBAUM were married. **Hilda TANNENBAUM** was born on August 31, 1901 in New York, New York. She died in October, 1985 at the age of 84 in Brooklyn, Kings Co., New York. That Hilda's surname was Tannenbaum was derived from the 1930 census, wherein Louis and Hilda are shown to be living with Louis' in-laws named Tannenbaum.

Louis HINDIN and Hilda TANNENBAUM had the following children:

- 10 i. **Rita HINDIN** was born in 1931 in New York, New York.
- 11 ii. **Sally HINDIN** was born in 1927 in New York, New York.

4. **Victor HINDIN** was born on November 21, 1904 in New York, New York. He died on January 21, 1986 at the age of 81 in Broward Co., Florida. According to the Social Security Death Index, a Victor Hindin was born on 21 Nov 1904.

According to the 1930 Census, Victor, age 25, lived with his mother Bertha, age 70, at 1425 43rd St. in Brooklyn, New York. He was a flower salesman.

According to the Florida Death Index, a Victor Hindin, born November 11, 1904, died on January 21, 1986 in Deerfield Beach, Broward Co., Florida.

Victor apparently lived in Deerfield Beach, Florida from 1935 until his death.

Victor HINDIN and Sadie UNKNOWN were married on November 18, 1982 in Palm Beach, Florida. **Sadie UNKNOWN** was born on September 11, 1904.

5. **Mildred HINDIN** was born in July, 1891 in Russia.

Mildred HINDIN and Unknown KRAMER were married. **Unknown KRAMER** was born (date unknown). In the obituary of Mildred's mother, Bertha Hindin, in the May 17, 1932 edition of the New York Times, Mildred's name appears as "Mildred Kramer," suggesting that her husband's surname was Kramer.

6. **Dora HINDIN** was born on January 24, 1902 in New York, New York. According to Dora's mother's obituary, Dora was married to a man named "Sacks" in 1932. According to the 1930 Census, a Dora, born about 1901 (Dora was actually born in 1902) was married to an Isidore Sacks (born abt. 1894), living in Brooklyn, Kings Co., New York, with their family: Pearl (born abt. 1923) and Eli (born abt. 1924). That this is the correct Dora needs to be confirmed.

Dora HINDIN and Isidore SACKS were married. **Isidore SACKS** was born about 1894 in Russia. In the obituary of Dora's mother, Bertha Hindin, in the May 17, 1932 edition of the New York Times, Dora's name appears as "Dora Sacks," suggesting that her husband's surname was Sacks.

Isidore SACKS and Dora HINDIN had the following children:

- 12 i. **Pearl SACKS** was born about 1923 in New York.
- 13 ii. **Eli SACKS** was born about 1924.

7. **Anna HINDIN** was born in May, 1888 in Russia.

Anna HINDIN and Isidor BRAHMS were married. **Isidor BRAHMS** was born on November 4, 1885 in Poland. He died about June 30, 1962 at the age of 76. In the obituary of Anna's mother, Bertha Hindin, in the May 17, 1932 edition of the New York Times, Anna's name appears as "Anna Brahms," suggesting that her husband's surname was Brahms.

According to his WW I Draft Registration Card, Isaac was living at 460 Madison St. in Brooklyn, NY in 1917-18. He was a boilermaker's helper and he listed his nearest relative as his father-Isaac Brahms.

The 1930 census shows an Isidor Brahms (born abt. 1884) living with his wife Anna (born abt. 1893) and his children Cassia (born abt. 1926) and Stanley (born abt. 1929) on Neptune Ave. in Brooklyn, Kings Co., New York.

Isidore's WW II Draft Registration Card says he was born on November 5, 1885 in Poland.

The following obituary was published in the New York Times on July 1, 1962:

BRAHMS--Isidore, beloved husband of the late Anna, devoted father of Cassia, Stanley and Lillian. Services today, 10:30 A.M., at Norman L. Jeffers Community Chapel, Fort Hamilton Parkway, corner 47th St., Bklyn.

Isidor BRAHMS and Anna HINDIN had the following children:

- 14 i. **Lillian BRAHMS** was born on September 16, 1930.
- 15 ii. **Cassia BRAHMS** was born on September 12, 1925 in New York, New York. She died on November 12, 2009 at the age of 84 in Brooklyn, Kings Co., New York.
- +16 iii. **Stanley BRAHMS**, born about 1929, New York, New York.

8. **Joseph Selig HINDIN** was born on September 13, 1893 in New York, New York. He died on September 2, 1952 at the age of 58 in New York. He was buried in Mount Carmel Cemetery, Glendale, New York. According to Joseph's passport application dated May 14, 1923, Joseph was born on September 15, 1893, his middle name was "Selig", and he was an "importer".

According to the passenger records of the Ellis Island Foundation (ellisland.org), Joseph (age 29), his wife Sara (age 26) and their son Seymour (age 5) arrived at Ellis Island on August 31, 1923 aboard the ship Resolute from Hamburg, Germany. At that time, they were already U.S. citizen and lived in Brooklyn, N.Y. According to Mel Hindin, Joseph was very wealthy.

According to the 1920 Census (which is very difficult to read), Joseph (age 26) was living with his wife Sara (age 23) and their son Seymour (age 2-1/2) at 570 East Second Street, Brooklyn, New York. Joseph was born in New York. Sara was born in Russia, where she spoke Hebrew at home. Both his and her parents were born in Russia and spoke Hebrew. He was a manager of a flower shop.

**Sarah UNKNOWN** died on January 23, 1954 in New York.

Joseph Selig HINDIN and Sarah UNKNOWN had the following children:

- +17     i. **Seymour HINDIN**, born November 8, 1917, New York, New York; died August 19, 2009.
- +18     ii. **Muriel HINDIN**, born about 1925; married Louis PARKER, March 15, 1975, Orange Co., California.

9. **Benjamin HINDIN** was born on June 26, 1898 in New York, New York. He died on June 21, 1981 at the age of 82 in Pittsburgh, Allegheny Co., Pennsylvania. He was buried on June 22, 1981 in Sons of Israel Cong. Cem., Forrest Hills, Allegheny Co., Penn.. According to the State of New York Certificate and Record of Birth of Barnett Hindin, No. 28977, Benjamin was born on June 26, 1898 at 224 Cherry Street, New York, New York. (It is not clear why Benjamin's name at birth was "Barnett".) According to Harvey and Mel Hindin, Benjamin worked as an electrician in Brooklyn, NY.

The following wedding announcement appeared in The Jewish Criterion (Pittsburgh) on June 19, 1925:

**Charapp—Hindin** A charmingly appointed wedding took place at the Rittenhouse on Tuesday evening, June Second, when Miss Sarah Charapp, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Charapp, of Rankin, became the bride of Ben Hindin. The wedding music was played by Nossokoff s Orchestra. The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, wore a gown of fawn georgette, embellished with crystal beads and amethysts, and carried a shower bouquet of white roses, lilies-of-the valley and orange blossoms.

Mrs. H. W. Jacobson, sister of the bride, as matron of honor, wore a gown of orchid georgette, heavily beaded, and carried tea roses. Miss Helen Charapp, who was her sister's maid of honor, wore a gown of pansy chiffon and carried a bouquet of tea roses, and the bridesmaids were the Misses Edith Rubenstein, Leona Ecker, Lucy Adler and Lucy Hecht, all wearing gowns in pastel shades. Victor Hindin served as his brother's best man, and the ushers were Abe Goldstein, Al Greenberg, William Marks and Joe Hecht. Eleanor Kramer and Katherine Medof were the flower girls, carrying French baskets of pink roses, and Arnold Hackman was the ring bearer.

Following the ceremony, dinner was served to 200 guests. Entertainment was provided by Miss Anna Zimet, who rendered vocal selections, and the Misses Rose Rubenstein and Relda Hackman, who entertained with solo dances. Mr. and Mrs. Hindin will make their home at 1 Miller Street, Rankin.

The out-of-town guests were Mrs. B. Hindin, mother of the groom; Mr. and Mrs. I. Kramer, Mr. Victor Hindin, brother of the groom, and Mr. and Mrs. H. Schnapp, all of New York ; Mrs. M. Zakuto, of Detroit, Mich.; Mr. and Mrs. S. Karp, of Cleveland; .Mrs. J. Shoff and daughters, of Greensburg, and Mr. K. Adler, of Tarentum.

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According to his sons Mel and Harvey: He moved to Pittsburgh, PA in the 1920's. In Pittsburgh, he did electrical work and then, he sold lighting fixtures, appliances and, with the advent of the radio, radios. When selling a radio, he would call KDKA and ask them to broadcast in order to make the sale. He had the opportunity to join two partnerships--a company called Bluestone or Hamburg Brothers. Benjamin joined Bluestone, which was in the electrical business, which eventually failed. (The Hamburg Bros. partnership was very successful and became the RCA distributor in Pittsburgh and all of Pennsylvania.) After Bluestone failed (approximately 1927), he operated a service station in Braddock, Pennsylvania that he rented from Grandpa Charapp's nephew, Aaron Charapp. Benjamin then started grocery store in Swissvale, PA (around 1929). He then took over his father-in-law's grocery business in the summer of 1933. The grocery was located at 1 Miller St., Rankin, Pennsylvania. He and his family lived above the grocery store. The store closed in the 1950's, after which Benjamin worked in the Allegheny County Recorder of Deeds office. He was also a member of the Rankin

School Board for many years.

The following obituary appeared in The Jewish Chronicle of Pittsburgh on May 28, 1981:

HINDIN, on Wednesday, May 20, 1981, Benjamin Hiridin beloved husband of Sarah Hindin, father of Melvin S. Hindin, Whittier, CA, Harvey J. Hindin, Woodbridge, VA, brother of Victor Hindin, Miami Beach, FL. Also survived by four grandchildren. Services were held at the Burton L. Hirsch Chapel, 2704 Murray Ave., Sq. Hill (opp. Morrowfield Apts.) on Thursday. Interment Rankin Cemetery.

Benjamin HINDIN and Sarah Jane CHARAPP were married on June 2, 1925 in Pittsburgh, Allegheny Co., Pennsylvania, at the Rittenhouse Hotel. **Sarah Jane CHARAPP**, daughter of Joseph CHARAPP and Bessie HACKMAN, was born on November 6, 1906 in Rankin, Allegheny Co., Pennsylvania. She died on April 3, 1992 at the age of 85 in Woodbridge, Prince William Co., Virginia. She was buried on April 6, 1992 in Sons of Israel Cong. Cem., Forrest Hills, Allegheny Co., Penn.. Sarah helped run the store in Rankin, but she generally stayed at home to raise her children. After the grocery store closed, she went to work in Braddock for Lustig's Children's shop.

The following obituary appeared in the April 7, 1992 edition of the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette:

SARAH HINDIN. The funeral was yesterday for Sarah Hindin, formerly of Rankin, who died Friday at Potomac Hospital in Woodbridge, Va., after a heart attack.

Mrs. Hindin, 86, was a retired medical receptionist and a member of Beth Shalom Synagogue in Squirrel Hill. She is survived by two sons, Melvin of Whittier, Calif., and Harvey of Dale City, Va.; four grandchildren and one great-grandson.

Burial was in Sons of Israel Cemetery, Forest Hills.

Benjamin HINDIN and Sarah Jane CHARAPP had the following children:

- +19     i. **Seymour Melvin HINDIN**, born September 30, 1926, Braddock, Allegheny Co., Pennsylvania; married Lois PETZOLD, November 6, 2001; married Frances Mary ORNEA, June 10, 1952, Rhodef Shalom Temple in Pittsburgh, PA; died December 20, 2007, Pasadena, Los Angeles Co., California.
- +20     ii. **Harvey Jerome HINDIN**, born Braddock Hospital, Braddock, Allegheny Co., Pennsylvania; married Anna Mae SCHNAUBELT, May 2, 1953, St. Mary's R.C. Church in Alexandria, VA.

## Fourth Generation

16. **Stanley BRAHMS** was born about 1929 in New York, New York.

Stanley BRAHMS and Arlene UDKOVICH were divorced about 1983. **Arlene UDKOVICH** died on August 1, 1997. According to her son Keith Brahms, Arlene spent her life as a teacher and had retired from the Los Angeles Unified School District. She died from complications from lung cancer, even though she was a non-smoker.



Stanley BRAHMS and Arlene UDKOVICH had the following child:

- +21 i. **Keith Allen BRAHMS**, born September, 1965; married Brigitte BELMONTE, June 24, 1995.

17. **Seymour HINDIN** was born on November 8, 1917 in New York, New York. He died on August 19, 2009 at the age of 91. He was buried in Mount Carmel Cemetery, Glendale, New York. According to the passenger records of the Ellis Island Foundation ([ellisland.org](http://ellisland.org)), Seymour was age five in 1923. Sy has lived for 30 years at 105 East Gate, Port Jefferson (Long Island), NY 11777 (516-928-1313).

**Vera SINGER** died on March 24, 1987 in Mount Carmel Cemetery, Glendale, New York.

Seymour HINDIN and Vera SINGER had the following children:

- 22 i. **Joel HINDIN** was born (date unknown).
- +23 ii. **Steven Dennis HINDIN**, born December 10, 1949; married Carol SCHWAB, July 24, 1983.

18. **Muriel HINDIN** was born about 1925.

Muriel HINDIN and Louis PARKER were married on March 15, 1975 in Orange Co., California. **Louis PARKER** was born in 1921.

19. **Seymour Melvin HINDIN** was born on September 30, 1926 in Braddock, Allegheny Co., Pennsylvania. He celebrated his bar mitzvah in September, 1939 in Beth Shalom Temple, Squirrel Hill, Allegheny Co., Pennsylvania. He died on December 20, 2007 at the age of 81 in Pasadena, Los Angeles Co., California. Mel graduated from Rankin High School in Rankin, PA in 1943. He attended Penn State University through the US Army ASTP program for a few months until September 1944. He had enlisted in the reserves and as soon as he turned 18, he entered the infantry in August 1944 (Serial No. 13189214). He did basic training for 13 weeks at Camp Blanding, Florida and then went to France. There, he became a member of the 42nd Rainbow Infantry Division, 232nd Regiment, L Company and, later, M Company. He went to Germany in 1944 where he was with the first troops into Dachau. He was in Munich when the war ended. He earned an ETO Ribbon with two battle stars and a Combat Infantry Badge. He was discharged from the Army in August 1946. He graduated from the University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA (B.A. 1949, M.A. Psychiatric Case Work (Graduate School of Social Work) June 11, 1952). He worked for the State of California, Department of Mental Hygiene, from 1952-55; then the Veterans Administration in 1955-56; then the California Youth Authority as a Supervising Social Worker; then he went into private practice with the Hillcrest Psychiatric Clinic in Alhambra as a psychiatric case worker. He attended Claremont Graduate School working toward his PhD. He was director of the West Covina Family Service Agency. He eventually became director at the Hathaway Home for Children in Los Angeles from 1967 to 1987. Beginning in 1984 he became a docent with the Los Angeles County Museum of Natural History and eventually became a director of the Gem and Mineral Council, a Fellow and a Member of the Alliance Board of Directors.

The following story appeared in the magazine of the Fall 2008 edition of the Newsletter of the Hildegarde

Howard Society, which honors and recognizes benefactors who have included the Los Angeles Natural History Museum in their estate plans:

### Donor Stories

#### Mel Hindin: A Museum Treasure

Visitors to the Museum's Hall of Gems and Minerals have undoubtedly noticed the scores of impressive specimens on display bearing the proud label "Gift of Melvin Hindin." In fact, some of the most important additions to the Museum's mineralogy collections in recent years were gifts from Mel. Sadly, Mel passed away last December, but his cherished friendship and legacy of generosity endures.

Mel first developed a love for museums as a child growing up in the Pittsburgh area. Though his chosen profession as a social worker was far afield from museums, he never forgot that love. Toward the end of his distinguished career, which culminated in the directorship of the Hathaway Home for Children in Highland Park, Mel decided to "prepare for retirement" by becoming a docent at the Natural History Museum.

From 1984 until his death in 2007—a span of nearly a quarter century—the Museum became a major focus of Mel's life. Mel not only served as a touring docent but also as a volunteer in the Mineral Sciences Department. He was an active member of the Board of Directors of the Museum's Gem & Mineral Council and played a leadership role as a member of the Museum Alliance. Together with wife Lois Petzold Hindin, Mel was also active in the Fellows Program.

As a docent, Mel especially relished giving tours of the Hall of Gems and Minerals, which led him to become acquainted with Dr. Anthony Kampf, the Museum's Curator of Gems and Minerals. Mel immersed himself in the world of gem and mineral enthusiasts and assembled a fine collection of his own. But Mel always put the Museum first, and during his last 15 years the Museum's Mineral Sciences Department was the particular beneficiary of Mel's enthusiastic support.

Guests can now view a portion of Mel's spectacular collection in a new display in the Hall of Gems and Minerals. Many other pieces that Mel donated can be found throughout the Hall. His friendship and remarkable spirit of generosity will be missed, but he will forever remain a part of the Museum through the many rare and wonderful specimens that he so thoughtfully gave.

Seymour Melvin HINDIN and Lois PETZOLD were married on November 6, 2001. **Lois PETZOLD** was born on November 1, 1937.

Seymour Melvin HINDIN and Frances Mary ORNEA were married on June 10, 1952 in Rhodaf Shalom Temple in Pittsburgh, PA. **Frances Mary ORNEA**, daughter of Michael ORNEA and Jean SCHNURRER, was born on October 12, 1930 in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. She died on November 30, 1990 at the age of 60 in Harbor City, CA. Frances graduated from Schenley High School in Pittsburgh, PA. She then graduated from the University of Pittsburgh (B.S., summa cum laude, Psychology, M.S Psychology) Then she got her masters degree in Psychology from Claremont Graduate School in California. She worked for the Welfare Dept. in San Bernadino Co., CA and transferred to the Probation Dept. Upon obtaining her Masters Degree, she became a school psychologist for the Norwalk-La Mirada Unified School District from 1959 to 1990. Upon her death in 1990 the School Board named a building after her.

Seymour Melvin HINDIN and Frances Mary ORNEA had the following child:

- 24 i. **Joseph Michael HINDIN** was born on April 28, 1959 in San Bernardino, CA.

20. **Harvey Jerome HINDIN** retired in July, 1992. He was born in Braddock Hospital, Braddock, Allegheny Co., Pennsylvania.

Harvey Jerome HINDIN and Anna Mae SCHNAUBELT were married on May 2, 1953 in St. Mary's R.C. Church in Alexandria, VA. **Anna Mae SCHNAUBELT**, daughter of Leo SCHNAUBELT and Louise Christine KLEMMER, was born in North Braddock, Pennsylvania.

Harvey Jerome HINDIN and Anna Mae SCHNAUBELT had the following children:

- 25 i. **Mark David HINDIN** was born in Rochester, New York..
- +26 ii. **Amy Louise HINDIN**, born Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; married John CORRELL, All Saints Episcopal Church, Woodbridge, VA.
- +27 iii. **Tracey Anne HINDIN**, born St. Francis Hospital, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; married Stephen Woodburn JOHNSON, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

## Fifth Generation

21. **Keith Allen BRAHMS** was born in September, 1965. Keith met his wife Brigitte at Keesler Air Force Base in Biloxi, Mississippi in 1991.

From August 1997 to 2008, Keith was a a First Officer on the Boeing 777. flying ultra long haul routes for Delta Air Lines out of Atlanta to destinations such as Dubai (UAE), Kuwait City (Kuwait), Tel Aviv (Israel), Mumbai (India), Seoul (India), Narita (Japan), Shanghai (China). Since 2008, Keith has been the CEO of McCowen Power, a developer of power generation technology.

Keith Allen BRAHMS and Brigitte BELMONTE were married on June 24, 1995. **Brigitte BELMONTE**, daughter of Blas BELMONTE and Marcela CUERVO, was born in May, 1968 in Nice, France. According to her husband Keith, Brigitte, was Born in Nice, France and emigrated to the US with her parents and older sister, Sylvie. They settled in Merrville, Indiana, where Brigitte graduated from Merrville High School in 1986.

According to her profile on mySpace.com (2009), Brigitte attended Purdue University-Main Campus West Lafayette, Indiana, from which she graduated: 1991 with a Bachelor's Degree in Nursing. She attended Purdue University-Calumet Campus in Hammond, Indiana from 1988 to 1991 and received an Associate's Degree in Nursing. She then joined the U.S. Air Force.

Keith Allen BRAHMS and Brigitte BELMONTE had the following children:

- 28 i. **Oliivia Nicole BRAHMS** was born on February 15, 1998 in Eglin Air Force Base, Florida.
- 29 ii. **Nicholas Alexander BRAHMS** was born on March 3, 1999 in Eglin Air Force Base, Florida.

23. **Steven Dennis HINDIN** was born on December 10, 1949. Steven resides in Westchester County, New York. He has two daughters.

Steven Dennis HINDIN and Carol SCHWAB were married on July 24, 1983. **Carol SCHWAB** was born on May 27, 1955. This data, from <http://www.edschwab.us/EdSchwab/Mendelsohn.html> (2008), needs to be confirmed.

Steven Dennis HINDIN and Carol SCHWAB had the following children:

- +30 i. **Leah Helene HINDIN**, born January 12, 1990; married Michael Louis BROWN.
- 31 ii. **Emilyann Rachel HINDIN** was born on March 4, 1993. From <http://www.edschwab.us/EdSchwab/Mendelsohn.html> (2008).

26. **Amy Louise HINDIN** was born in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Graduated from Gar-Field High School in Woodbridge, VA in 1976, graduated from James Madison University in Harrisonburg, VA in 1982, and graduated CBN University, Virginia Beach, VA (M.A.) in 1987.

Amy Louise HINDIN and John CORRELL were married in All Saints Episcopal Church, Woodbridge, VA. **John CORRELL** was born in Richmond, VA.

John CORRELL and Amy Louise HINDIN had the following child:

- 32 i. **Timothy Benjamin CORRELL** was born in Depaul Hospital, Norfolk, VA.

27. **Tracey Anne HINDIN** was born in St. Francis Hospital, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. She was baptized in St. Bartholomew Church, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. *By Adam:* My momy is a nice person. she takes care of me when I'm sick. She always looks after me.

Tracey Anne HINDIN and Stephen Woodburn JOHNSON were married in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. **Stephen Woodburn JOHNSON**, son of John Franklin JOHNSON and Audrey Dorathea FOGARTY, was born in Pittsburgh, Allegheny Co., Pennsylvania. He was baptized in Concordia Lutheran Church, Brentwood, Pennsylvania.

Stephen Woodburn JOHNSON and Tracey Anne HINDIN had the following children:

- 33 i. **Samuel Peter JOHNSON** was born in Magee Women's Hospital, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. He was baptized in First Trinity Lutheran Church, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Sam graduated from Central Catholic High School, in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania in 2003 and from New York University in 2007 with a degree in Music Composition.
- 34 ii. **Adam Donald JOHNSON** was born at Mercy Hospital in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. He was baptized in First Trinity Lutheran Church, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

## Sixth Generation

30. **Leah Helene HINDIN** was born on January 12, 1990. From <http://www.edschwab.us/EdSchwab/Mendelsohn.html> (2008)>

Leah Helene HINDIN and Michael Louis BROWN were married. **Michael Louis BROWN** was born (date unknown).

Michael Louis BROWN and Leah Helene HINDIN had the following child:

- 35      i. **Michael Louis BROWN Jr.** was born on October 4, 2009.