0.06 Two of Elya's daughters go to Argentina

In the late 1930's Kaila was in Rozysce on family business, and while there visited Baila (Elya's daughter) and her husband Meyer. They were sitting in their tiny shop with their baby. The store was filled with boxes.

Kaila opened a few. They were empty. "You have nothing to sell!"

They cried. "Meema, every time we sell something we eat it up."

Kaila gave them money from her pocket. "Start making out papers for Argentina today!"

They did. Meyer and Baila's sister Bluma went to Argentina. When they were established they sent for Baila and the baby. (Manuel heard the story for the first time in 1965 when he visited Argentina.) "My mother



was like that. When she did something she did it now. Yesterday" photo of Meyer, Baila his wife below him, sister Bluma on his left, Yonkel their son, and Meyers mother Leah (who did not go to Argentina



Years later Yaakov (the little boy in the first picture) goes to Israel: L to R: Jose, Lydia, Bluma, Yaakov standing between his mother and aunt, Baila, unknown person, Esther, Meyer



1965: Manuel and Surca come to Argentina and invite Esther and Jose to come to U.S.

BACK: Charles Kessel, unknown, Bluma, Meyer, Esther, Lydia, Boruch, unknown *front* Manuel, Surca Baila.

ESTHER AND BIP COHENS WEDDING







lisa and barbie



Lydia Bluma Baruch at Jose's Bar Mitzvah Meyer Baila Baruch, Jose's father was raised in Luninietz in Byelorussia. He was part of a big family. During the First World War he hid to avoid going into the Russian army. There wasn't enough food. After WW I economic conditions were horrible, and he came to Argentina.

He worked as a carpenter, later distributed cooking oil, and in 1946 he opened a factory that made knitted gloves. He brought his brother Aaron to Buenos Aires, and he and Aaron brought their mother, Deborah and three sisters. (one was Goldie; another Mirala) Two of his father's sisters came to the U.S. in 1904. One (Globerson) settled in Albany, the other in New York City.

Jose was born on September 9th, 1940 and eventually became a CPA. He came to the U.S. with Esther and later moved to Miami where he met and married Judy. In 1970 he moved his pregnant wife and his young son Michael to Buenos Aires. He missed the family and the old country, and he and Judy tried to make a go of it. He easily plugged into his former firm. Work was not a problem, but living conditions were trying and the children were croupy. They had no phone, and the political climate was unstable. Eventually the family came to the U.S. on a trip and decided to stay. Jose, Judy, Michael and Danny currently live in Miami Beach.

BLUMA AND BARUCH with family







Mayer, Bluma, Esther, at Jose's Bar Mitzvah

Argentina has one of the largest Jewish populations in the world. Jewish immigrants first arrived in Argentina with the founding of the new continent, and continued to immigrate to the country ever since. The vast majority of the Jews who came to Argentina are Ashkenazi, originating from Central and Eastern Europe. In the nineteenth and twentieth century, many Jews in Argentina spoke Yiddish, built schools and synagogues and became gauchos, or cowboys. Unfortunately, the country's relatively tolerant attitude toward its Jewish population changed in the 1970s. During the "dirty war," military juntas killed thousands of leftists, communists and Jews.

Lisa and family



Lisa and husband Alec Stone with Aviva, Aryiana, Aden and Aryeh

Below: Barbie and husband Drew Barnholtz



