



News

Dear Nurit,

We have successfully completed capturing the story of 90-year-old **Chaim Rafael** (in photo above), a survivor from Auschwitz concentration camp. Chaim owes his life to the harmonica: *"One day I saw an SS guard trying to play the harmonica...I told him that I could show him how... The officer liked my playing, he brought me more warm soup and bread...he even ordered to stop the daily beatings of my father by the other guards...MUSIC SAVED OUR LIVES!"*

Chaim's story was captured thanks to the generous support of individuals worldwide. We thank all of our contributors for their continued support of our mission.

Sincerely,
Dr. Nurit Jugend



Project director & producer
They Played For Their Lives

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Up-coming

An extraordinary reunion after 65 years!

Hellmuth Spritzer was only 13 years old when he whistled with the 'Swingers' Jazz band in ghetto Terezin to save the lives of his grandparents. In the Auschwitz Birkenau family camp, fate joined Hellmuth with 10 year old **Frank Grunwald** (in photo), who sang popular Jazz songs with his older brother for just a few moments of mental escape.



We are about to capture the reunion of Frank and Hellmuth, who have not seen one another since their liberation from Auschwitz concentration camp liberation in 1945.

Please help us capture Frank and Hellmuth's reunion by making a donation today.



**Help us capture stories by the remaining survivors.
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