ANNELIESE NOSSBAUM BIOGRAPHICAL PROFILE



Anneliese Nossbaum (née Winterberg), daughter of Siegfried and Irmgard, was born on January 8, 1929, in Guben, Germany. In 1932, the family moved to Bonn, Germany, where Siegfried was employed as a cantor.

In 1941, the family was forced to move to a monastery complex in Bonn that the Nazis had confiscated from the nuns who lived there.

In July 1942, Anneliese and her parents were deported to Theresienstadt, a campghetto in Czechoslovakia. In October 1944, they were deported to the Auschwitz camp complex in Nazi-occupied Poland. Anneliese and Irmgard were later deported to Freiberg, a labor camp in Germany, and to Mauthausen, a concentration camp in Austria.

They were liberated at Mauthausen in May 1945; Irmgard died from tuberculosis in December 1945. After living and working at a displaced persons' camp for over a year, Anneliese immigrated to the United States. She married Martin Nossbaum in 1953, and they had two children and two grandchildren. This interview took place on November 12, 1996, in Jenkintown, Pennsylvania. Anneliese also gave testimony to USC Shoah Foundation's Countering Antisemitism Through Testimony (CATT) program on March 9, 2017.

