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Three Generations of the Holocaust

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To my grandparents and parents,
from whom I have absorbed
so much love and caring

“There are trees in the orchards that have wonderful foliage and fruit, and suddenly their rootstock is attacked and starts to deteriorate. We then plant a new sapling out of harm’s way next to the trunk, and we graft it onto the bark. When this young sapling has taken, its roots replace those that have been damaged, and the tree is saved: Once again it has foliage, a trunk, and roots . . . Our family, after the Holocaust, was like a tree that has lost its roots, and now when we sit around the table, Grandma and Grandpa, my parents and us, I feel that we are like the support graft of the family.”