



Every Name Counts

VIDEO TRANSCRIPT

I am the grandson of Holocaust survivors Miriam and Sal Moskowitz. It is part of our DNA at Accenture to never forget. So few of Arolsen Archives documents are accessible today.

With Accenture we are enabling the Arolsen Archives to more rapidly digitize and preserve the memories of so many to create a living memorial so we shall never forget again.

The work being done with the Arolsen Archives right now is really twofold. One is in relation to our volunteer engagement where we have communities of hundreds of people across dozens of cities that are volunteering their time to index and extract information related to the stories and the names that are nestled within the Archives.

The second part of the engagement is an innovation project which utilizes artificial intelligence and optical character recognition and other advanced technologies to accelerate the rate at which these documents become available and searchable and therefore the names and stories that are within them.

The Arolsen Archives are the world's largest archive on the victims of Nazi persecution. We hold the largest collection of records on the victims including documents on concentration camps on prisons and ghettos but also on survivors of the Holocaust.

I see antisemitism on the rise. Manifestations of racism and xenophobia and gender-based violence taking appalling forms and homophobia still being state policy in many countries.

So when I look back at history and see that these ideas were the ones that paved the way to concentration camps and to a genocide I think that we have to be

here to be vigilant and active and to raise awareness about the dangers of these ideas.

The photo that I'm holding contains a picture of my family. In the center you can see my paternal grandparents. Their names were Menachem Dove and Rifka as well as my great-grandmother Bubby Charna. In the picture also are my father's two youngest brothers their names were Bitsale and Israel Yasel as well as my father's only sister, my Aunt Malka.

This was taken on their family farm in Czechoslovakia. They were all taken to Auschwitz and out of all these people only my aunt survived.

My name is Annalise Tucci and the person on this record is my great Uncle Gustav Budnik. He was taken as a political prisoner at Buchenwald concentration camp in 1936 for his political activism and later was killed in April of 1945, just weeks before the end of World War 2 in Europe.

Every Name Counts is a crowdsourcing initiative with the aim of digitizing all the documents we have in the Archives and building the digital memorial for the victims of the Nazis.

This is Sonia and Fagna who died in 1942. These two girls, they were 12 years old they had names, they had lives, they had things they loved, they had things they cared about, they had people that loved them and to remember their name to memorialize them and their story is really important, and I think Arolsen can help do that by providing access to these archives.

The beauty of Every Name Counts is that everyone can participate with little time; with a lot of time, from their home, alone, in families or with colleagues, and can participate in indexing the information that is on the documents that we have uploaded online.