My Soul Is Filled with Joy: A Holocaust Story
A Memoir by Karen I. Treiger

Memoir/History/ WW II/Holocaust
Including Maps, Bibliography, Endnotes, Family Trees, Discussion Guide

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Book Description: My Soul is Filled with Joy: A Holocaust Story, by Karen I. Treiger, tells the harrowing tale of Sam and Esther Goldberg, who survived the Holocaust to ultimately settle in the United States. Over 870,000 were murdered at Treblinka but Sam Goldberg was one of approximately 65 prisoners to escape the and remain alive until the end of the war. After escaping during the prisoner uprising, he ran to the forest where he met Esther, who had evaded the Nazis twice. They hid, with the help of righteous gentiles, in barns and a forest pit until liberation in 1944. This book brings to life the horror of the Nazis’ actions and the toll that it exacted on so many Jewish families. This is also a story of hope, love and determination; of a family rediscovering the path taken by their parents to find life and freedom in a new world. Treiger takes a personal walk through history and brings the reader along with her. Sam and Esther’s story is one of love and the will to live no matter what they had to endure. It reminds us that we are still learning the lessons of the Holocaust.

Author bio: After 18 years of practicing law in Seattle, Karen Treiger felt an unmistakable call to explore the story of her in-laws, Sam and Esther Goldberg. Educated at Barnard College and New York University Law School --where she was editor-in-chief of NYU Law Review, Treiger made the momentous decision to retire from her law practice and pull together the threads of a family story she had heard for many years. The result of her three-year inquiry is the widely praised book, My Soul is Filled with Joy: A Holocaust Story. In it, Treiger chronicles both Sam and Esther Goldberg’s journey, including Sam’s escape from the death camp Treblinka, as well as her family’s experiences in Poland when they retraced the path from Treblinka to the pit in the Polish forest where they hid until their liberation. As Treiger became invigorated and inspired by the people she encountered, Sam and Esther’s story became her story too.

Since the book’s publication, Treiger has crisscrossed the country to bring this compelling story to a wide audience. In June she will travel to Poland to launch the Polish translation of the book and
speak at the National Ethnography Museum in Warsaw and at the Krakow Jewish Festival. She has been named to the Jewish Book Council Author’s Network and the Seattle Holocaust Center for Humanity Speaker’s Bureau.

Audience/Markets:
- Memoir
- WW II
- Holocaust history
- Poles and people of Polish heritage
- Israelis

Advertising/Publicity Plan: Readings, autographing events, speaking engagements, seminars, media interviews, amazon and google ads.

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