

Ruth Lang, born on July 27, 1925 in Süßen, died on December 11, 1999 in Baltimore/Maryland/USA

Ruth's parents [Eva Lang](#), née Liffmann (1896 - 1942) and [Leopold Lang](#) (1895 - 1942) ran a cattle trade with an attached small farm in Süßen together with Leopold's brother Lazarus (Louis) Lang.



As a child, Ruth had to do all kinds of tasks, so she had to shine the family's shoes. Ruth had two older brothers, Manfred *1921 and Hugo *1923. The children were well integrated in the community and were known as members of the local gymnastics club.

Ruth Lang (front left) with her parents and brothers
(Source: Stadtarchiv Süßen)

Ruth was initially able to attend the Johann-Georg-Fischer Volksschule (elementary school) in Süßen, but on June 4, 1936, it was redesignated as the 'Deutsche Schule' ('German School'), where Jewish children were generally not taught. Ruth Lang must have attended the Göppingen Jüdische Schule (Jewish School) from its foundation until the end of classes in 1940. Here she also met her cousin [Siegfried Lang](#).

While her brothers Manfred and Hugo were able to escape, Ruth and her parents were deported from Stuttgart to the Jungfernhof camp near Riga/Latvia on December 1, 1941. Her parents were murdered by the Nazi Germans in 1942. Ruth survived this and other camp stays; most recently, she was interned in the Bromberg camp, a subcamp of the Stutthof concentration camp.

Shortly after her liberation, in a letter dated February 25, 1945, she wrote to her uncle Max in the USA: *"I have become free and I am happy, but I am not allowed to think... Unfortunately, I cannot tell you where my dear parents are."*

On September 3, 1945, Ruth returned from the Bromberg East concentration camp to Süßen, where she was registered until April 23, 1946. In Stuttgart, she met [Sally Lemberger](#), who was two years older than her, who came from Rexingen and, like her, a survivor of the Shoah.



Wedding photo
(Source: Stadtarchiv Süßen)



Ruth and Sally married and emigrated to the USA/Baltimore in 1946, where the couple had two children.

Photo with husband and sons
(Source: Stadtarchiv Süßen)

Ruth Lemberger, née Lang, died in 1999 in her new homeland, her husband followed her ten years later.