

Ed Kaye

Video Transcripts

Video 1: Ed Kaye Partisans in the Ghetto

INTERVIEWER: Were there any underground or partisan groups at all in the ghetto? **ED:** Yeah.

INTERVIEWER: Were you involved in any of them? **ED:** Yeah, I was involved, I got involved when—when the group was already organized to a very close friend of mine and eh—we helped—we used to bring—we used to get to work into places where we could steal weapons and ammunition or parts to weapons and—and bullets. And later where we were, a bullet if the bullet is gonna fit the rifle that you stole or the part of the rifle that you stole or not. We took whatever—whatever it was—was there to be taken, and—you smuggled it into the—into the ghetto as you marched back from work.

Video 2: Ed Kaye Joining Soviet Partisans

We managed to convince him that they should take a couple of us into the other [?] which they were going to, to get—to get eh—integrated with—with a regular partisan group—with a regular partisan unit. **INTERVIEWER:** Did you want to do that? **ED:** Yeah. **INTERVIEWER:** Why? **ED:** Because, first of all, eh—in numbers there's strength. Second, they were better organized, they—they knew where to find food and they—the—the reason we—we went out is to fight and not to just hide, but to fight. We were young, maybe idealistic too, but every one of us said, "Before I go, I'll take a couple of them with us—with me," and them meant the German—the enemy. And—and it didn't matter whether there was a police—a Polish policeman or a Russian—a Russian a—a—turncoat. Oh, it was—it was a German as long as he was a poor Nazi, and—and that was our objective and most of us wanted to go fight a man or woman.

Video 3: Ed Kaye searching for food

And—and instead of going away from town, we went to town to—to—to get some food, and the next morning after we got the—after we brought the food, we brought the Germans and the police right behind us on our necks. Some of the people went in—they were so tired they went in to sleep. Some of us had to still divide the food and do—do—do whatever it was supposed to be done in order to—to pack it all in. **INTERVIEWER:** Did you know the Germans were behind you? **ED:** We didn't. And then they said—when they came close, they start shooting at us, and ewe—we started to scatter helter skelter, any place you could run. The ones which were already resting—they found their burial right there because the Germans found it, and they threw hand grenades in there—in there, and they demolished

the dugout and they—and they killed all the people in it. **INTERVIEWER:** Do you know about how many people were there? **ED:** About 12 I remember. My dear friend [?] and his brother, [?]. overall quite a few. There was a father, mother, son, and daughter, and the son and daughter disappeared. We never found it , nobody ever knew what happened to them.