



# Our Family

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**Sugenheim revisited 1998**

In 1998 apart from the names of the six Jewish soldiers who lost their lives in World War I on the War Memorial

Albert Reichhold    Louis Reichhold    Philipp Saemann  
Hermann Schloss    Hugo Schloss    Dr. Julius Schloss

there are no signs whatsoever of the once thriving Jewish community of Sugenheim.

The former Synagogue in Schlossstrasse 35, unlike many synagogues in numerous other villages is unmarked.

Many other changes have also taken place. Buildings in the "Meiereihof", the farm leased to ancestor Simon Samuel Gutmann, Loeser Loeb Herbst and Hayum Freimann between 1812 and 1832, which had been under a conservation order, have also been completely altered and the historic barns have been demolished.

Many of the beautiful old houses in Schlossstrasse, in 1988 still colloquially referred to as "Juden-gasse" have been "modernised".

The Neue Schloss, seat of the Barons of Seckendorff is now privately owned and used by a commercial firm and the Schlossgarten is being developed into a housing estate.