

**Salomon Elsässer and Sofie Elsässer, née Schwarz.
Deported to Theresienstadt in 1942.**

Salomon „Sally“ Elsässer was born in Mühringen on July 1st 1874. He was the sixth child of Moritz Elsässer, a cattle-dealer in Mühringen, and Elise Levi whose family came from Rexingen. He grew up in Mühringen and attended the Jewish school there. He became a merchant and ran a shoes-and-textile business. In 1906 he married Sofie Schwarz of Mühringen, born on April 4th 1882 to Albert and Hannchen Schwarz, née Esslinger. Sofie Schwarz had two sisters, Emma and Martha, who were deported to Riga in 1941.

On April 26th 1908 Salomon's and Sofie's only son, Martin, was born. When Salomon's widowed mother died in 1921, his remaining four siblings sold him their share in the family home in 1 Schlosstrasse. It was close to the synagogue.

In 1938 their son Martin fled to Palestine and settled in Haifa with his wife. In April 1942 Salomon and Sofie Elsässer were forced to move from Mühringen to Rexingen together with Peppi and Thekla Oppenheimer. In August 1942 they were deported to Theresienstadt. On September 26th 1942 Salomon and Sofie were taken from there to the extermination camp in Treblinka where they were murdered in the gas chamber.

Two 'stumbling blocks' in memory of Sofie and Salomon Elsässer were laid in front of their house at 1 Schlosstrasse in Mühringen in September 2012. Martin Elsässer's son and other descendants still live in the north of Israel.



The home of Sofie and Salomon Elsässer in Mühringen. In 2012 two 'stumbling blocks' were laid here in memory of the couple.

