

# Key to the 2019 Maidenberg family tree



Start at the lower right corner, where you will see **Russia**. This is the Russian Empire from which David and Rosa emigrated, pushed by anti-Semitism, pulled by opportunity, and assisted by family who had come before.

They sailed on the **Lucania** which arrived at **Ellis Island**. David was 22, Rosa was 21. They first settled in **Philadelphia**, home of David's maternal aunt.

David was a peddler. He tried different routes and places. An acquaintance told him of economic promise in northeast Indiana. By 1913 he had arrived in **Marion, Indiana**. He brought Rosa, Meyer, Ben and Milt. Frank was born in Marion in 1914.

The trunk of **Rosa and David's tree** is thus anchored in Marion, where Rosa became known as Rose.

Now move to the *foreground*, to the left of the trunk.

**Tomato plant** - Frank was an accomplished vegetable gardener

Grandma Rose grew **grapes** and made wine. Her **pickles** were legendary

Two generations of Maidenbergs attended **Horace Mann School** in Marion

**Roses** around the tree for matriarch Rosa

Move to the *branches*, going clockwise:

## Branch of Meyer

**Teacup** above Lee, restaurant equipment business

**Delta Airlines** next to Kathy, former flight attendant

A **bird** mourns Vicki, who died in 2019.

Vicki's daughter Carrie, an **EMT** dispatcher

## Branch of Ben

Ben spelled his name with a **"urg"** thanks to a U.S. Army mistake.

**Typewriter** for longtime editor Ben

Ben Jr., a lifelong fan of the **Detroit Tigers**

Marla has two beloved **yellow labs**

Mark and Kim live in Chico, Calif., where **Sierra Nevada** beer is brewed.

Rafi grew up in **Israel**

David is a **Cleveland Browns** fan

Lisa is a **Michigan State** fan

Felice loves **baseball**

Hanan is an avid **reader**

## Branch of Milt

Milt appeared on President **Richard Nixon's** infamous Enemies List, a point of great pride



Above Irma, one of her wonderful works of art inspired by a favorite artist, **Niki de Saint Phalle**

Toby the **realtor**

Johna has **two cute cats**

David is a family practice **doctor**

Gaby loves **unicorns**

Isabel loves **Legos**

Mike is a **lizard** man; western fence lizards roam Oakland

Kitty is famous for her **key lime pie**

Joe works for **YouTube**

Eve is a **swimmer**

Laila is smitten with **penguins**

Ezra loves **pancakes**

Ted, a Chicago Cubs fan, has season tickets at **Wrigley Field**.

Math teacher Rhiana has her own **pi**.

Elana keeps company with **Portuguese water dog** Luna

Maisy's name is spelled the same as Lucy Cousins' book character, a **mouse**; she loves to pound on a **taiko drum**

Dan plays **tennis**

Amy is a **pediatrician**

Liam is learning theatrical **lighting**

Avi loves **Legos**

Eden does **theater**

Reed, family minstrel, a great **guitar** player

Emma formed and sings with an electronic dance music duo called **PRXZM**

## Branch of Frank

Frank loved **popcorn**

Tony grew up rooting for the **Brooklyn Dodgers**

Molly lives and works in **skyscraper**-studded Manhattan

Vivian and Frannie love to dress up as princesses, each with a **crown**

Micah, a journalist, knows how to take hand-written notes on a **notepad**

Yoel is an evolutionary biologist who studies the anole **lizard**

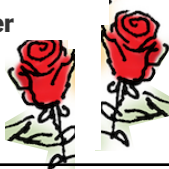
Lev and Eli like **excavators** and **dump trucks** and all things vehicular

David's **cat** Bettée

Lisa is an artist with a **palette**. Alex has a thing for **Taco Bell**. They adore their dog.

Dory and Ryan love their **two dogs**

Gabe played college **soccer**



Jeremy plays the **French horn** among other instruments

Michael lives in Chicago, famous for **deep dish pizza**

Zachary is a lifelong **chess** player

Joyce hosted **24** consecutive Maidenberg Thanksgivings with grace and style

Her daughter Ruth's death in 1998 is marked by a **candle**.

Sam plays the **drums**

Abe builds **bridges**

David and Barbara are horticulturalists who know which **tree** is which

Going *around* the tree, starting top left

The bird is **Barrie** Lamonte, **San Francisco Giants** fan. She and **Mike Z.** are Zimmermans, cousins to Tony, David and Jill on Nanette's side. Like many in the family, they live in **California** which gets honorable mention under Meyer's branch.

**O-Rama** celebrates the family baseball game reunions held every two years.

The **balloon with Union Jack** is for Joyce's brother Sidney and his wife Louise who for many years flew from London to join the Maidenbergs for Thanksgiving.

Return to the *foreground*, and go clockwise right of the main trunk.

The **C/N shield** for Camp Nebagamon in Wisconsin, beloved summer stomping ground of **Liam, Dan, Joe, Richie, Reed, Mike, Ted, Avi** and **Ezra**

Wisconsin, represented by a **cow**, is also home to Jill and Richie

Meyer, Milt and Frank founded and ran **National China & Equipment** in Marion

Patriarch David opened the Indiana **Dry Goods** store in **Gas City**, six miles from Marion

The **Mississinewa River** flows through Marion past Frank's **A-Frame**, site of many happy family gatherings

**Akron**. Ohio was the home of Ben, executive editor and publisher of the Akron Beacon Journal.

The **Grand Forks Herald** (whose publisher was Mike) and The **Akron Beacon Journal** each won **Pulitzer Prizes**

At the bottom far right of the **Maidenberg Family Tree 2019** pennant is the name **Sutliff** for Joe Sutliff, the artist who created this tree. His wife is Richie's first cousin. Thanks, Joe, from all of us.