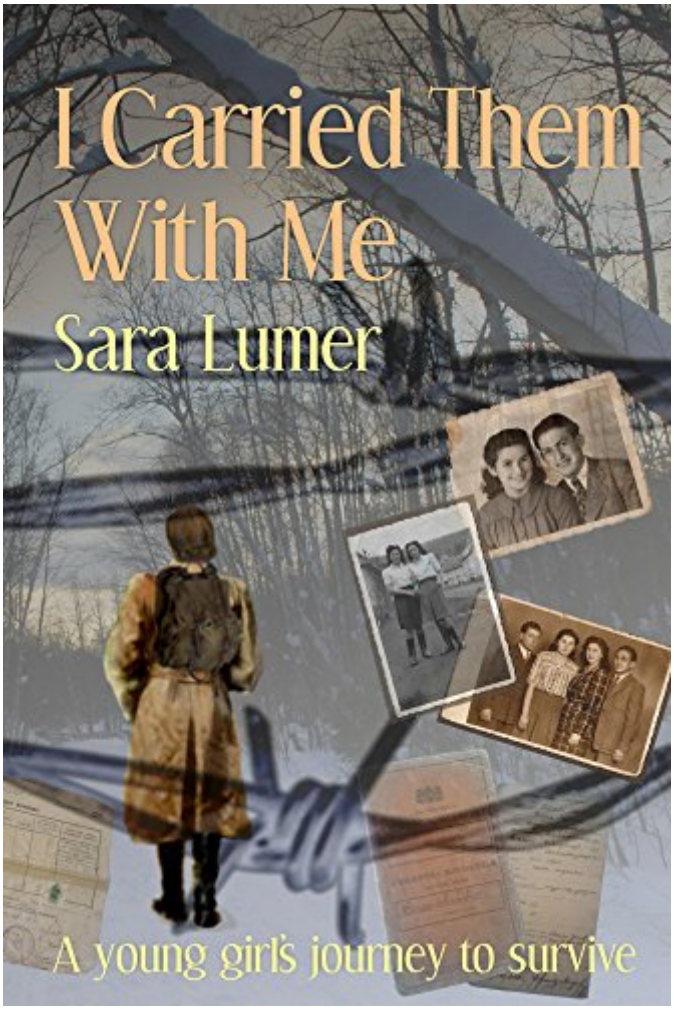
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Synopsis

Sara Lumer was born in Sekernice, Czechoslovakia in 1927. When she was 16 years old her parents sent her to Budapest, Hungary, where her two older brothers were already living. They felt she would be safer there. But in March of 1944 Germany invaded Hungary and began to round up all the Jews. Sara was sent to two different labor camps and endured two long death marches. She is a Holocaust Survivor.

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Her story is told simply, with he heart of a child growing up without family. The treatment she and other Jews throughout Europe endured was the face of pure evil. That this young girl and those who she became friends with survived is a testament to the spirit of the human to Survive. However, her loss, like many innocent Jews, was so great. One ends her story wanting to make sure the evil era of the Nazis never can be repeated. We must never forget the suffering and loss as the world watched it failed to respond earlier.

A well written and thought provoking story. You feel for the author in loss of her family and way of life

A very good read.

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The author’s family wisely encouraged her to share her experiences as a young Jewish childe and teen in Hungary during WW II. Her family sent her from their small community to Budapest where her brothers were already living and working. Their plan was to send the youngest sister, but evil and war intervened. The three living in Budapest were moved out, the brothers to a definite work camp. It seemed that the people who were evacuated at the same time as Sara were mostly being moved around to harm them with some work and much poor care which was determined to harm them. Sara survived as did her brothers. When returning to Budapest, they learned that their parents and youngest sister had been sent to camps from which they never returned.That is sad -- telling us even more about the many people who were abused and killed by the Nazis who were not easily tracked. There is much information about the extensive records that were kept, but for young survivors, unraveling that information was an insurmountable challenge.Sara’s delightful, dry humored little girl personality comes through as she related events from her childhood and which stayed with her while she was being hauled or walked to ’no where’ until the war was over. From the days when a teacher forced her to change from her left hand to her right, she developed loyalty and strengths that she drew upon when survival was being evasive due to terrible illness and conditions.I highly recommend reading this book to keep in touch with the real people who were victims of the Holocaust. There is truly nothing the fictioneers can make up that didn’t happen.

Sad. very thought provoking and well-written. I read through it in one day, while the ice storm outside carried on.

I Carried Them With Me: A Young GirlÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã â„¢s Journey to Survive was written by Sara Lumer. This memoir is simply written but is full of emotion and tension. However, while reading it, I got the impression that I was hearing this from a person devoid of emotion. Many survivors while telling their stories, resort to third person or almost a monotone. This is their safety net to keep their

emotions from overwhelming them. I felt Sara was doing this as she tells her story. It is simply a way of dealing with the past.Sara and her brothers and sister were brought up in Czechslovakia in the town of Sekernice. This area was a politically contested area and eventually went to Hungary. As the Russians were advancing in 1943, SaraÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã â„¢s parents sent her to Budapest to be with her two older brothers. Their sister was to follow the next year. It is interesting that the siblings made some very good friends here who helped them as much as possible during the war and helped them compassionately afterwards.SaraÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã â„¢s brothers were taken into forced labor but managed to survive the war. Their parents were sent to Auschwitz along with their little sister. None of them came back. After being in several camps, Sara was liberated and returned home to find her brothers already there. Sara was among the lucky ones to have some family left.This memoir is a little different in its tone and in the degree of horrors that are described. SaraÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã â„¢s bravery and fortitude helped her survive along with two special friends and some unexpected ones.

I purchased this book for my 114 yo daughters as we are learning about the holocaust. It should be noted that this is an ADULT book. I've reviewed the listing and nowhere in it does it state age recommendations. I guess I assumed that since it was a young girls autobiography, it would be alright for a young girl to read. This is NOT along the lines of the Diary of Ann Frank. The first chapter alone is vile and vulger, explaining in detail the exploits of a perverted schoolteacher. The point could well have been made without the detail. The book is now in the trashcan.

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