

AARON MANDELBAUM

name Aaron comes from the Hebrew Aharon meaning exalted one. In the bible Aaron was the older brother of Moses and first high priest of the Hebrews: Exodus. 4.

- 1837 Aug. 14. Aaron was born in Saxony to Daniel and Lena (the word Lena is almost illegible and may be in error) Mandelbaum. Ref: Death certificate of Aaron on file at Bureau of Vital Records Dept. of Public Health, Springfield, Ill.
- 1844 Solomon Mandelbaum, Aaron's brother, born in Saxony. Ref: 1880 census, Webster county, Nebraska.
- 1852 Aaron came to the U.S. from Saxony: Ref. death cert.; informant, Jacob D. Mandelbaum. "Aaron came to the U.S. from Germany when he was 16 years old." (1853); Irma Weil; 1973.
- 1860 Solomon Mandelbaum came to Cincinnati, Ohio and there learned the cigar trade. Ref.: History of Nebr.; p. 1486
- 1860-1864: No Mandelbaums appear in the Chicago directories these years.
- 1861 Civil war. "Aaron was in the civil war": family tradition; probably wrong: 1.) Did not serve in the military forces of the U.S.: death certificate; informant, J.D. Mandelbaum.
2.) No pension or military records on file at the National Archives in Washington, D.C.; 3 July, 1974.
3.) Aaron not in the Index of Indiana civil War veterans: Archives, Ind. State Library; 1974.
4.) No Mandelbaums in the Index of Ill. Civil War soldiers.
- 1861 "Mandelbaum, Moses; cigar maker. 600 Central Avenue". Ref.: Cincinnati City Directory; from the Cinc. Historical Soc.; Eden Park, Cinc., Ohio.
- 63 "Mandelbaum, Aaron, cigar maker, boards 37 Clinton."; ibid.
- 1863- "Mandelbaum, Moses, cigar maker, works 605 Central Ave." ibid.
- 1864 "Mandelbaum, Moses, boards 37 Clinton." ibid.
- 1863 Solomon Mandelbaum came to Chicago in 1863 and worked at the cigar trade 2 years: Hist. of Nebr. p. 1486
- 1867 Aaron Mandelbaum was a cigar maker in Chicago: family tradition.
- 1865 "Mandelbaum, Samuel, home 477 Plum" ref.: Cincinnati City Direct.
- 1865 Solomon Mandelbaum started a cigar factory in Chicago and employed 10-15 hands. He continued this business for about 5 years: Hist. Nebr.
- 1865 "Mandelbaum, Aaron, cigars and tobacco, 111 W. Madison.": J.C.W. Bailey & Co's Chicago City Directory. 1865-6 p.433
- 1866 "Mandelbaum, Aaron, cigars and tobacco, h 111 W. Madison"
"Mandelbaum Solomon, umbrella mnr, n 109 W. Madison."
Ref.: ibid. 1866-67. p. 618
- 1867 "Mandelbaum Aaron, 111 W. Madison, h same"
"Mandelbaum Solomon, umbrella mkr 109 W. Madison, h same"
Ref.: ibid., 1867-68 p.647
- 1868 "Mandelbaum Aaron, cigars, 111 W. Madison, r same"
"Mandelbaum Solomon (Mandelbaum & Co.), and furniture, 109 W. Madison, r same"
"Mandelbaum Solomon, cutter, Hensch Bros. bds. 111 W. Madison"
"Mandelbaum & Co. (Solomon Mandelbaum & Joseph Katzenstein), furniture, 79 W. Madison"
Ref.: ~~ibid~~: 1868-69 p. 594 Edward's Annual Dcty of Chicago
"Mandelbaum Jacob (Mandelbaum & Saunders), bds. 61 W. Van Buren"
"Mandelbaum Solomon (Mandelbaum & Co.), bds. 64 W. Randolph"
"Mandelbaum & Co. (Solomon Mandelbaum & Joseph Katzenstein), furniture mnfg. 79 W. Randolph"
Ref.: ibid: 1869-70 p. 588

- 1870? "Also Solomon carried on the furniture trade about 8 years Hist.Nebr.
- 1868 December. Solomon Mandelbaum married (prob. Chicago) Miss Adaline Weinberg, daughter of David Weinberg; Hist. of Nebr. Solomon was about 24 years old. See birth date above. Adaline was about 18 years old. Ref: Adaline died 1912 at age 62; therefore was born about 1850, and would be 18 in 1868; obituary of Adaline in the Adams county Democrat (Neb.): 18 Oct. 1912, p. 1, col.1
- 1870 Carrie, daughter of Solomon and Adaline born in Illinois, and:
- 1871 Jacob, their son, born in Ill. Ref.: 1885 Nebr. census.
- 1868 Emma, first child of Aaron and his wife Lena, born in Ill., and
- 1870 Hanna, second child of Aaron and Lena born in Ill.: Ref.: 1880 census, Dyer, Ind., Lake county, St. Johns township, p. 520
- 1871 "Mandelbaum, Aaron, stoves and furniture, 61 W. Van Buren", and "Mandelbaum, Solomon, furniture dealer, 44 W. Randolph.": listings in Edwards' Directory of the City of Chicago. 1871. p. 603.
- 1871 Oct. 8th. Chicago fire occurred. Pop. was 306,000. Ref.: Enc. Brit. "Aaron's furniture store burned out in the Chicago fire": May Bloom. "In his early years Aaron had a men's furnishing store, but a fire burned it out and he became a salesman (Peddler) after that.": Anna Leah Lans.
- 1871 "Mandelbaum Jacob, clk. Stein, Hirsch & Co. r. 61 W. Van Buren" Note: this was the address of Aaron Mandelbaum in 1871, selling stoves and furniture; therefore this Jacob is the brother of Aaron...r.g. Ref.: ibid. p. 603.

Other Mandelbaums in Chicago 1865-1878 (see above references)

- Mandelbaum, Simon, cutter
- = " Samuel, dining room
- " Henry, peddler
- " Frederick, teamster
- " Isaac, cutter
- " Daniel, ?
- " Benjamin (Mandelbaum Bros.) printers
- " Meyer, (" ") "
- " David, cutter
- " Lena, Miss, dressmkr (1878;h 627 Carroll Ave.)

Other Mandelbaums in New York City 1850-1865: (Searched because Ann Lans stated "We had a lot of Mandelbaum relatives in New York many years ago, but lost track of them.": 1974 letter.)

- Mandelbaum, : David Frederick
- Philip Wolf
- Henry Charles
- Jacob Baruch
- Joseph Israel
- Lehman Samuel
- Simon Sarah
- Julius
- Perau
- Benjamin

- 1872 Rosa Mandelbaum, 3rd child of Aaron and Lena born.(1880census)
- 1874 Irene, 4th child of Aaron and Lena born (1880 census).
- 1874-1875 "Mandelbaum, Aaron. Clerk, Childs & Baer. r. 13 English."
 "Mandelbaum, Solomon, furniture. 44 W. Randolph."
 "Mandelbaum, J. furniture. 142 Canalport Ave." Was this
 Aaron's brother, Jacob? (Jacob visted the home of
 Jacob D. Mandelbaum, son of Aaron, was a bachelor,
 and died and is buried in Chicago; ref.: Sylvia Grayson.)
- "Mandelbaum, Daniel. r. 143 Canalport Av." Was this a brother
 of Aaron? Note that Aaron's father was Daniel Mandel-
 baum. (Ref.: Aaron's death cert.)
 Ref.: The Lakeside Annual Directory of the
 City of Chicago: Williams, Donnelly & Co. 1874-75;p.743
- 1877 Jacob Mandelbaum, 5th child of Aaron and Lena, born in Ill.
 Ref.: 1880 census. Date:Sept.15;tradition.Mid.name:Daniel.
- 1876 Solomon Mandelbaum came to Hastings, Nebraska and was manager
 of the firm of M. Weinberg & Co. for 3 years
- 1878-1879 Solomon and Aaron Mandelbaum are not listed in the Lake-
 side Directory of Chicago.
- 1879 July 28. A tornado blew out the front of Solomon Mendelbaum's
 store in Blue Hill, Nebr. Ref.: Hist. Nebr.p.1486
- 1880 Mandelbaum, David, age 68, a clothing cutter, born in Saxony
 is listed in the 1880 census of Chicago, p. 5, line 2.:
 Emilie; his wife. age 48. born in Prussia.
 Myer; son. age 19. born in New York.(1861)
 Benjamin; son. age 15. born in Ohio. (1865)
 Louis; son. age 10. born, Ill. (1870)
 Lena; daughber, age 8. (Note that Aaron's mother was Lena.)
 Dora; daughter, age 5. (Note: Sylvia Grayson remembers a
 Dora Unger, who was a Mandelbaum, who was a relative.)
 Inference: David Mandelbaum might be a brother of Aaron.
- 1880 Census. Dyer, Ind.: from the National Archives.

Mandelbaum, A.	41	b. Saxony	;mother b. Saxony;	father b. Saxon	
"	Lena	39	"	"	"
"	Emma	12	Ill.		AARON'S OCCUPATION listed
"	Hanna	10	"		as "Pedler"
"	Rosa	8	"		
"	Irene	6	"		
"	Jacob	3	"		

Joseph Peschel is the family next to Aaron Mandelbaum in this census
 "He was Aaron's best friend and Aaron died at his house."(Sylvia
 Grayson.) Solomon.

- 1880 June 3,4. "Mandelbaum,/age 36; boarder. Dry Goods Merchandiser.
 born in Saxony. mother and father born in Saxony. (Ref.:
 census. Nebraska. Webster county. Potsdam twp.)
- 1881. Aug. 20. Solomon Mandelbaum established business in general
 merchandise with M. Weinberg in Nebr., had a branch house at Blue
 Hill, Nebr. The main house was in Chicago, Ill. Ref: Hist. of
 Nebr. The Western Hist. Co. 1882. p. 367.
- 1882 Mandelbaum, Solomon. gents furng.144 Wabash Av. house 573 State
 Chicago City Directory for 1882
- 1884 Aaron's wife Lena died when Jacob was 7 years old. He never
 married again. Ref: Anna Leah Lans.; letter.
 Lena died in childbirth and the baby died also: Letter from
 Irma Weil, 1973. The baby was named Theresa: Sylvia Grayson.
 J.D.'s daughter Theresa was named after the baby: family tradition.
 Lena Mandelbaum is buried at Waldheim cemetery; family tradtion.
 (Aaron is buried there. Ref: death cert.); Chicago.

- 1885 Solomon Mandelbaum age 41 Occupation: Retail grocer
 Adaline " wife 33
 Carrie " daughter 15 page 10
 Jacob " son 14; Ref.: Census; Nebr. Webster co. Potsdam
 township. Jacob was known as "Big Jake from the country".
 He visited Chicago occasionally, and J.D.'s children knew
 him. Ref.: family tradition.
- 1886 Mandelbaum Aaron, peddler, h. 86 Newberry Av.
 Mandelbaum Aaron, Trav.agt. h. 292 W. 14th
 Ref.: Lakeside Annual Directory, p. 990
- 1893 Mandelbaum, Aaron, salesman. h. 48 Hastings
- 1880 & on: Aaron Mandelbaum used to go among the farmers to sell things
 to earn a living. He took turns staying with his children each
 time he came in from the farms. He was a kindly, quiet man. Ref:
 letter from Ahna Leah Lans.
- 1927-1925. Aaron lived in a room behind the hardware store of Jacob
 D. Mandelbaum and Stella on Lincoln Avenue. He walked many miles
 each day when he could. Ref.: Tradition.
- 1926 Nov. 14. 8:00 p.m. Aaron Mandelbaum died in the town of
 Crete, Ill. near Dyer, Ind., in Will county, Ill., a widower,
 age 89 years and 3 months, of "arteriosclerosis.". Occupation:
 retired. Wife, Lena. Had lived 11 months in Crete. Burial at
 Waldheim cemetery 17 Nov. 1926. Ref.: Death certificate from
 the Bureau of Vital Records, Dept. Public Health, Springfield, Ill.
 Aaron, Lena, and Irene Mandelbaum are buried at Free Sons
 Cemetery, Forest Park, Ill.: Ref.; last will and test., Estella
 Mandelbaum, 4 Jan. 1964.
- 1927 5 July. JACOB MANDELBAUM, brother of Aaron, died at 6140 Drexel
 (probably the Jewish Old Folks Home.) Listed as single.
 Born 6 Jan. 1852 in Germany. Real estate salesman before
 retirement at age 65. Lived in Chicago 60 years. Was self
 employed. Died at Michael Heese Hospital of Ca. of rectum.
 Never served in armed forces of U.S. Died 2 July 1927.
 Buried at Evergreen Park, Cook County, Ill. on 5 July 1927.
 Died age 75 yrs., 5 mo's, 26 days. Undertaker: Harry
 H. Gass, 936 E. 47th St. License 41 Ken 0700. Dirhts Chapel.
 Ref: copy of death certificate, on file, bureau
 of Vital Statistics, State Dept. of Health, Springfield,
 Ill.

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Aaron was a cigar maker in Ohio and in Ill., 1863-1868. His brothers Solomon and Moses were cigar makers. Could other Mandelbaum cigar makers be related?

- 1861 "Mandelbaum Wolf, segars, h 200 Christie" Ref NYCity Direct.
1856 "Mandelbaum, Benjamin, segarmaker. h 202 Seventh"
Ref.: N.Y. City Directory p. 549; 1856-57
1865 "Mandelbaum, David, segarmaker, h 173 Orchard"
" " , Jacob, segars . . . 219 Av. A"
Ref. N.Y. City Directory, p. 643: ~~1856~~ 1865-66.
1860 "Mandelbaum, Charles h 236 5th" Ref. ibid p. 569

If the above Benjamin and Jacob are related to Aaron Mandelbaum, then consider the other Mandelbaums in New York City listed in the same neighborhood:

- 1856 "Mandelbaum David, jeweler, h 198 seventh"
" " Israel, pedlar, 204 seventh"
" " Jacob, h 176 Sixth"
" " Julius, jeweler, h 188 Seventh"
" " William, pedlar, h 323 Eighth"
Ref.: N.Y. City Directory p. 549 1856-57

UNCLE SIMON:

"Mollie Netcher was first cousin to my father (J.D. Mandelbaum) and Uncle Simon was an uncle to both of them." Ref.: Ann Lans; letter, 1974.

"Gram had an uncle Simon who had a pawn shop." (Gram was Estella Hambujer Mandelbaum.). "Mollie Netcher's father pawned a ring with his uncle Simon..!". Ref: Ann Lans. Letter. 1974.

Was "Uncle Simon" the following Simon Mandelbaum?

- 1865 "Mandelbaum, Simon, cutter Henoeh & Brds, bds 197 Monroe"
Ref.: Bailey & Co. Chicago City Direct. 1865-6
(NOTE: the only other Mandelbaum listed in 1865 in Chicago was Aaron Mandelbaum.)
1867 "Mandelbaum S., cutter Henoeh Bros." Ref.: ibid 1867-8
1868 "Mandelbaum Simon, cutter, r. 95 Adams" Ref.: ibid 1868-9
1869 "Mandelbaum Simon, cutter, Abraham Louis, r 95 Adams. ibid
(Note: A Simon Mandelbaum, clothing, taylor, is listed every year in N.Y. City starting 1852 on through 1865. In 1855 there were two Simon Mandelbaums in N.Y. In the first year searched, 1850, there were only 3 Mandelbaums: 2 Davids and 1 Phillip in N.Y.)

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AARON MANDELBAUM'S BROTHERS:

1. SOLOMON MANDELBAUM; Jacob Daniel Mandelbaum ran away to Nebraska to live with his Uncle Solomon. Solomon had a son named Jacob. Ref: tradition known to all 4 daughters of J.D.M. Solomon proven in numerous records in Chicago & Nebraska. (see pp.1&2).
2. MOSES MANDELBAUM: in 1863 this man was listed as boarding at the same address as Aaron Mandelbaum in Cinc., Ohio. Both were cigar makers. The rooming house was 37 Clinton. Aaron was known to be a cigar maker when he first came to Chicago by his grandchildren. Aaron listed as cigar maker 1865-8.
3. JACOB MANDELBAUM: Uncle Jacob well known to Aaron's grandchildren Sylvia & Anna Leah in Chicago as a bachelor who died at advanced age in a Jewish old people's home in Chicago. In 1869 Jacob M. boarded at 61 West Van Buren street in Chicago which is the same address where Aaron Mandelbaum was listed as selling stoves and furniture before the Chicago fire in 1871.
4. SIMON MANDELBAUM: Jacob D. Mandelbaum had an Uncle Simon who had a pawn shop in Chicago and J.D.'s cousin pawned a ring there. (Ref.: Anna Lans.) In 1865 the only 2 Mandelbaums in Chicago were Aaron Mandelbaum at 111 W. Madison selling cigars and tobacco, and Simon Mandelbaum, a clothing cutter at Hensch brothers. Three years later in 1868 Solomon Mandelbaum was a cutter at Hensch Bros., boards at 111 West Madison street, the same address where Aaron is selling Cigars. Therefore this Solomon is the brother of Aaron, and Simon is probably a brother also.

The above 4 Mandelbaum brothers seem confirmed. Samuel from Cincinnati and Isaac, Henry, Daniel, and David from Chicago are all possibly relatives, perhaps brothers, and are being researched next.

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