



## Elfeledve / Forgotten

by *Hugo Tischler*

Hugo Tischler presents a unique documentary chronicling two Hungarian families' lives from the late 1920's to the Hungarian Revolution of 1956. The author expresses great concern for accurately documenting the historic events he witnessed. *Forgotten* is not a political work, but a personal memory of the author who brings authenticity to historical events that are often forgotten or misrepresented. The writer reaches into the past; his story begins in 1928. During the great depression unemployment made life difficult in Hungary causing many to emigrate. In this case the story takes us to France only to return to Hungary before World War II.

The brutal Nazi invasion in 1944, followed by Soviet occupation in 1945 brought misery to the Hungarian people. Having had enough of the communist oppression - orchestrated from Moscow - Hungarians rose against Soviet tyranny. Many sacrificed their lives heroically battling against the Soviet invaders. We must remember these fallen heroes and what they fought for.

“When young people battle against Russian tanks, sometimes they give up their love, but give their life for the freedom of their country. We must have unity and gives thanks to all those that sacrificed their freedom, their love, and their lives for what they believed in.”

They should not be “Forgotten.”

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**Hugo Tischler** was born in France but raised in Hungary. He was drafted into the military in 1954. During the revolution of 1956 he married and became a leader of a small group of freedom fighters. A sudden ankle injury prevented the young couple to escape from the country after the uprising's defeat. Fortunately, he avoided the wrath of the communists because they did not discover Tischler's active participation in the revolution. In 1971 Tischler and his wife were able to leave Hungary for the United States. He owned the Hungarian Village restaurant in Daytona Beach, Florida, where he was also the president of the Hungarian Club. His book was published in Hungary in 2005. Hugo is a member of the American Hungarian Federation

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