

## Bio of Eva Edl

Ms. Edl was born in the former Yugoslavia on May 3, 1935.

At a young age, she saw what happens in a country ruled by people who do not respect all human life equally from conception to natural death. Nobody's life, then, is safe.

After the invasion of Yugoslavia by Nazi Germany in 1941, Jewish families in her town were taken and so-called "relocated"—exterminated. Then, at the end of World War II, when the Communist Party under Marshal Tito came into power, the Danube Swabians, an ethnic German minority, was targeted for extermination. Ms. Edl was a part of that group.

As a nine-year-old child, she was seized, transported by train together with 21,000 others to a German town that had been evacuated of every person and every stick of furniture, and dumped. When one woman asked why they didn't just shoot them all, an official responded, "You're not even worth a bullet, you animal." In the communist death camp babies, children, the sick and elderly died of starvation, disease and exposure. Most of the other prisoners died in the camp. Ms. Edl's cry was always her prayer, "Lord, I want to give You my all."

That's how she has been trying to live ever since.

After eighteen months, Ms. Edl was able to escape. By God's grace, she eventually had the opportunity in 1955 to come to the United States, where human life was respected and protected by law—a country built on the self-evident truth that all humans are created equal, and that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights, that among them are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.

Ms. Edl attended college in New Jersey and learned English. When a fellow student suggested that abortion should be legalized. Ms. Edl responded, "That's murder!" Ms. Edl openly ponders how many lives might have been saved had some brave individuals interposed to stop the train carrying her and her family to the death camp.

Now, she feels called as a Christian to interpose herself on behalf of the innocent children facing death by abortion.

Ms. Edl is also the mother of three children, a grandmother, and an artist.