

SECOND PLACE MIDDLE SCHOOL ART

Will to Survive

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Survivor Testimony: Pincus Kolender



As despair cast its shadows, those around Pincus Kolender lost their will to live. As a teenager, Kolender had to endure the brutal atrocities inflicted on him. He witnessed situations beyond comprehension as he saw one human being kill another up close and in cold blood. Even so, no matter what they took away from him or what he saw, he told himself, “I’m going to live.” Despite the horrors of the Holocaust, Pincus persisted and clung to the will to survive. His unbreakable mentality shone through and lit up his future from his dark past.