

The Silver Sword

With the Bilicki's children and Jan, an orphan whom the Bilickis make part of their family, I took an adventure that I had never imagined.

Having heard of the terror of the Second World War, I finally understand the great fear in the eyes of those children in the photos that appear in every history textbook because of this story. I just couldn't imagine

the situation if my family and I got separated, but this story is simply about the children who lived apart from their family during and after the Second World War.

Joseph Bilicki, the father of the family, was sent to a prison in the mountains of South Poland. He escaped by taking a good advantage of his wisdom and got back home to Warsaw. He couldn't find his children there, but he believed that they would be fine. He gave Jan, an orphan he met on the way to Switzerland to find his wife, a silver sword that every member of his family could recognize and asked him to bring his children to Switzerland. Luckily, the Bilicki's children met Jan, recognized the sword, and went to Switzerland to find their parents together. It wasn't an easy journey, but with their faith, they found their parents and started their new life.

In the story, what I've seen was the courage they had, and what I've learned was to be independent. A family must have something that means a lot to them together like the absolute faith that the Bilickis performed, and that was the reason why they could survive. Although we live in a peaceful world now, we still have to trust and love our family. So, we will never lose our family.

