

SIEBEL-FREEMAN

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Philip C. Siebel was born on November 27, 1907 in Manhattan, New York, son of **Fred Julius Siebel** of Germany and **Caroline Peters** of Illinois (see biography Siebel-Peters). Philip grew up in Baychester, living in his parents' house in Baychester at **2210 Hunter Avenue** through the 1940s¹.

Philip married **Lillian Freeman (aka Jeree Lilian Freeman)** on July 20, 1935 in Manhattan, New York². Lillian was born on December 14, 1912 in Manhattan, New York, daughter of Russian immigrant **William Freeman** and Austrian immigrant **Regina Landau**. Lillian was the last of four known children. Prior to her marriage to Philip she grew up in Manhattan, New York.

Philip Siebel supported his family working in a brokerage firm. They had two children while they lived in Baychester: **Bruce Siebel** and **Lance Siebel**. They lived at **2210 Hunter Avenue** with Philip's parents. Philip supported his family as a Clerk in a Brokerage house. Philip and Lillian officially divorced in 1949.³

In 1950 we find Philip living as a single man with his widowed mother back at **2210 Hunter Avenue**. His mother Caroline owns the boat livery after the death of his father, and Philip now works repairing boats at that boat livery.⁴

In 1950 we find his sons Bruce and Lance living elsewhere in the Bronx with their mother, identified as Jerry Siebel, and maternal grandfather William Freeman.⁴

In June 1970, Philip's mother Caroline, who was living elsewhere in The Bronx, sold the house at 2210 Hunter Avenue to Philip, who was living in Manhattan at the time.⁵ Caroline died in April 1971 and Philip moved into her house on Tiebout Avenue.

¹ "United States Census, 1940," database with images, FamilySearch (<https://familysearch.org/pal:/MM9.1.1/KQM8-FY2> : accessed 22 April 2018), Lillian Siebel in household of Fred Siebel, Assembly District 6, Bronx, New York City, Bronx, New York, United States; citing enumeration district (ED) 3-788, sheet 5A, line 28, family 57, Sixteenth Census of the United States, 1940, NARA digital publication T627. Records of the Bureau of the Census, 1790 - 2007, RG 29. Washington, D.C.: National Archives and Records Administration, 2012, roll 2480.

² "New York, New York City Marriage Records, 1829-1940," database, FamilySearch (<https://familysearch.org/pal:/MM9.1.1/246M-MQG> : 10 February 2018), Philip C. Siebel and Lillian Freeman, 20 Jul 1935; citing Marriage, Manhattan, New York, New York, United States, New York City Municipal Archives, New York; FHL microfilm 1,685,159.

³ NY Divorce index

⁴ 1950 US Census

⁵ https://a836-acris.nyc.gov/DS/DocumentSearch/DocumentImageView?doc_id=BK_7020013400239
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In July 1971, **Philip Siebel** (living on Tiebout Avenue) sold the house at **2210 Hunter Avenue** to **Frank R. Adamo** (who was living in Larchmont at the time)⁶. Frank Adamo played a major role in the development of Freedomland, which became Co-Op City. The house is no longer there. It is now a large parking garage in Co-Op City.

Philip Siebel eventually remarried and moved to Colorado. He died in January, 1973 and is buried in Grandview Cemetery, Wray, Yuma County, Colorado.

Lillian Siebel changed her name back to **Jeree Lillian Freeman** and moved to California in the mid-1960s. She died on February 3, 1995 in San Diego, California.

Their two sons, Bruce and Lance, are living in North Carolina.⁷

⁶ https://a836-acris.nyc.gov/DS/DocumentSearch/DocumentImageView?doc_id=BK_7120016200169

⁷ Per Bruce Siebel, 2021 Oct. 31 telephone conversation.