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### TIME TO SPEAK OUT – THE SILENT VICTIMS OF WWII One Woman's Tale of War, Strife, Struggle and Freedom Premiers In New Memoir

[Nanaimo, BC-2014-08-22] *We Don't Talk About That* written by Giselle Roeder and published by FriesenPress, is the historical and biographical account of the life of one family, silently hiding amongst all of those affected by World War II. While the overwhelmingly common response to the trauma has, for decades, been to hide the shame of rape and violence, Roeder tells it all. Her story is laced with charming details of early 20th century life, followed by horrific acts of war violence. It truly captures the mood and experience of her family and thousands of others after the eviction from their homeland, the 'walk to nowhere' alongside the Russian Army on its way to Berlin.

The point of human interest is the life of the girl, Gila. How she, under the most horrific circumstances, had to grow up fast but kept her childlike curiosity, unconsciously distancing herself from reality. Her tale of adversity is an inspiration to women everywhere struggling with oppression and abuse.

The story of this one family is set against the condensed history between WWI and the outcome of WWII; the almost total devastation, the rebuilding, the division of Germany into two states. Why were hundreds of thousands of people fleeing the East, risking being shot at or even losing their life? The Berlin Wall, - life in the DDR, the large prison East Germany became. Gila's escape; her struggles to find her footing in West Germany, an unwanted affair, the confrontation with a convicted rapist, her wish to leave it all behind and emigrate to start a new life in Canada.

The memoir is written in such a way that it also entertains. "We Don't Talk About That" is an amazing story of survival, - hard to put down. It makes you smile, it makes you cry, it makes you laugh, and, when finished, you will shake your head and wonder how the human spirit knows what to do in order to survive. You will feel "richer" and thankful for the life you live.

*We Don't Talk About That*, is available for order from [FriesenPress.com/bookstore](http://FriesenPress.com/bookstore), Amazon, Chapter's, Barnes&Noble and most major book retailers. The eBook edition is available for download for iTunes, the Kindle, Barnes&Noble's Nook, the Kobo, and any .pdf enabled device.

#### About the Author

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