Inge Bromberger Wendriner (1919–2005) 于 1937 年至 1948 年间随父亲 Wilham、母亲 Elizabeth 和兄弟 Ralph 从德国逃往上海避难。在上海，Inge 赢得了“选美皇后”的美誉，邂逅了 Ernst Wendriner，并与 Ernst 在相识六年后举行了婚礼。

Inge Bromberger Wendriner (1919-2005) took refuge in Shanghai together with her family from 1937 to 1948. In 1939, she won a beauty contest and was crowned Beauty Queen. In 1947, Inge met Ernst Wendriner: they were married six days later!

1948年，Inge一家离开上海前往美国定居。回忆起在上海的生活，Inge说中国人和犹太人非常相似，都对家庭十分重要。

在上海避难的Inge曾经做过歌手和裁缝。她还参加过1939年第一届选美大赛的冠军，赢得了“选美皇后”的美誉。根据当时的一篇报道，选美大赛当天，犹太难民们欢聚一堂，欢声笑语不绝于耳。他们暂时忘却了战争带来的痛苦与辛酸，摆脱了过去沉重的记忆。那天，他们不谈过去，只看着未来，他们都笑着开怀而来。“选美皇后”Inge获得的奖品是一瓶香水、一个衣服和三个求婚。大家用香槟酒疯狂地为Inge庆祝了一番。

上海见证了Inge浪漫的爱情与婚礼。1947年10月底的一天，Inge去一家咖啡馆看朋友。当时上海还处于动荡的时期，因而在上海的外籍人士都纷纷前往纽约。Inge的这位朋友邀请她来喝咖啡，于是Inge便去了。她还想看咖啡馆，但那位朋友却把Inge带出去了。Inge与Erot在纽约举行了婚礼。这天晚上Inge和Erot无比幸福，他们被求婚，被祝福。


Inge and her family left Shanghai for the United States of America in 1948. Remembering her life in Shanghai, Inge said that Chinese and Jewish people shared the same values, namely a keen regard for the family.

During her stay in Shanghai, Inge worked as a singer and a seamstress. She won the first beauty contest of the Jewish Community in Shanghai, and was crowned as Beauty Queen. According to a report, the beauty contest was a gala-party for Jewish refugees to take pleasure and find escape from the traumatic memories of their recent past. Chatter, laughter and light banter could be heard everywhere. "The free air they had been breathing for months past had been taking effect, and for once they could be seen out of their habitual shells. In fact, the election of the Beauty Queen was only a means to this end." As Beauty Queen, Miss Inge Bromberger received a bottle of champagne, a wardrobe and three offers of marriage.

Another happy anecdote is: the romance between Inge and Ernst Wendriner. In late October 1947, Inge visited a friend at the coffee shop where she was a waitress. The coffee shop was not open yet but Ernst (Emie), on shore leave from the Philippine Merchant Marine came by. Ernst knocked on the door and the waitress asked "What can I do for you as we are not open yet?" He responded, "All I want is a cup of coffee and the name of the lady sitting on the other side of the room." The waitress let him in, gave him his coffee and introduced him to Inge. Six days later they were married. Their wedding license was entirely in Chinese and their wedding outfit was borrowed from friends, since there was no time to plan for the wedding.

Once Inge moved to the United States, she had two children (Karim and Leslie Wendriner). Her daughter, Karin, married Steve Hahn in 1978 and had two children Gregory Hahn (1980, Inge’s only grandson) and Tiffany Hahn (1982, Inge’s only granddaughter). Her son, Leslie never married but lives close to his family. Inge lived her entire life only 6 blocks away from her children and grandchildren and saw them regularly throughout her life. She always spoke fondly of her time in Shanghai and enjoyed traveling throughout the globe with her husband and family. She passed away on March 26, 2005 at the age of 86.

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