## Box 6: Extended family of Juvénal Habyarimana and his wife, Agathe Kanziga

**Juvénal Habyarimana** (born in Rambura, Gisenyi; 8 March 1937). After primary education at Rambura and a final year at the Nyundo Catholic mission, he entered the Kabgayi minor seminary. Then renouncing the priesthood, he reached the interracial St. Paul College in Bukavu, where he graduated in Humanities before starting medical school (incomplete) in Kinshasa. In 1960, he enrolled at the brand new Officers' school, which he left as promotion leader a year later before being appointed lieutenant.

**Father**: Jean-Baptiste Ntibazirikana, from the *Abungura b'abashusha* lineage. Cathechist at the Rambura Catholic mission (Gisenyi prefecture).

**Mother**: Suzanne Nyirazuba, from the King Bushiru Nyamakwa lineage, from which also descended Agathe Kanziga, Juvénal Habyarimana's wife.

### Siblings (from eldest to youngest):

- Cyrina Ahobamboneye<sup>1</sup>, married and installed in Uganda;
- Concessa Nturozigara, then Sister Télésphore from the Benebikira congregation. She worked at the
  Ministery of Youth and dealt with youth movements under her brother's presidency
- Joséphine Barushwanubusa, then Sister Godelieve-Marie, hospital nurse of the Benebikira congregation, teaching at the Health Training Institute. She oversaw the training of health workers at the Ministry of Health and led the Apaper private school in Kigali;
- Mélaine Nzabakikante, town councilor in Karago. Her daughter married Joseph Nzabonimpa, agent of the intelligence service. Her son, Ildephonse Gashumba, had been appointed Director of foreign exchange at the National Bank of Rwanda and had a major power on the entire import-export sector;
- Euphrasie Bandiho, rural worker. She married a former caporal in the Rwandan Army and lived in Gisenyi;
- Séraphin Bararengana, surgeon and professor at the medical school in Butare. He was considered as a talent finder among the National University of Rwanda (UNR). His wife, Catherine Mukamusoni, senior manager at the Commercial Bank of Rwanda (Butare), is Agathe Kanziga's little sister.
- Télésphore Uwayezu, businessman (deceased).

**Agathe Kanziga** (born on 1 November 1942 in Giciye, Gisenyi; married to Juvénal Habyarimana on 17 August 1963).

**Father**: Gervais Magera from the lineage of the Abagesera. Descendant of King Bushiru Nyamakwa (nephew of Suzanne Nyirazuba, mother of Juvénal Habyarimana).

*Mother*: Joséphine Nyiranshakiye (1916-2003).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Rwandan children usually do not bear their parents' name. During colonization and along with the growth of Catholicism, some families started to give their children the father's name.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Unless otherwise specified, all functions here mentioned correspond to those occupied by these personalities under the Habyarimana regime.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Gervais Magera had married a second time, and had two children.

### Siblings:

- Protais Zigiranyirazo, prefect of Ruhengeri (1973-1989). Known as « Mister Z », he was the prefect of prefects, one of the men who had the pass to get in touch with the President? Considered as one of the most influents members of presidential "inner circle";
- Catherine Mukamusoni, wife of Séraphin Bararengana (see above);
- Marie-Rose Kamugisha, wife of Colonel Théoneste Ntuyahaga (Gisenyi), both deceased;
- Agnès Kampundu, wife of Denis Bigilimana, councilor at the Rwandan embassy in Germany.

# Stepbrothers :

- Élie Sagatwa, private secretary of Juvénal Habyarimana since his coming to the dreaded intermediate to access to the President (deceased in the presidential plane shot down on 6 April 1994);
- Séraphin Rwabukumba, known as « Mister The Centrale », dealt with import-export in the so-named company. His wife had two sisters, who respectively married Antoine Ibambasi, councilor of Augustin Ngirabatware, Minister of Plan, and André Sebatware, former Minister of Inner Affairs and Prefect of Kigali;
- Joseph Buhirike, trader.

#### Children of the presidential couple (from oldest to youngest):

- Jean-Pierre Habyarimana, married to Bernadette Uwamariya, daughter of Félicien Kabuga, trader from Byumba. Deceased in France in 1997;
- Jeanne Habyarimana, married to Alphonse Ntilivamunda, son of Gaspard Munyampeta, trader from Ruhengeri, Director General of Roads and Bridges;
- Jean-Claude Désiré Habyarimana, deceased in France in 2007;
- Marie-Rose Habyarimana;
- Léon Habyarimana, married to Françoise Mukanziza, other daughter of Félicien Kabuga;
- Bernard Habyarimana;
- Jean-Luc Habyarimana;
- Marie-Merci Habyarimana.

(Other direct or indirect links are discussed in Appendix 11.)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Children of Joséphine Nyiranshakiye, mother of Agathe Kanziga, and of Fidèle Semapfa (deceased), brother of Gervais Magera, father of Agathe Kanziga.