

Edna And Max Sinai



This is my sister, Edna Sinai, with her husband, Max Sinai, at the wedding of some relatives from Israel. The one on the left is my brother-in-law, and my sister is on his right. I don't know the other people in the photograph. I couldn't tell who they are. The text on the back reads: 'Haifa, To remember Jacob's wedding by, my brother-in-law Eri and the Max family. Emilien Ubermann.' I don't know, I don't know them, they were probably acquaintances or even relatives of my sister's husband.

My sister, Erica, was born in Dorohoi 7 years after I was born, namely in 1929. My sister was in her second year of high school when we left for Transnistria and she stopped going to school then; she didn't resume her studies when we returned. We were in dire straits. I had to provide for the three of us: for myself, my mother, and my sister. And my uncle Leon - the husband of my mother's sister - placed my sister in one of those Jewish hostels where they prepared you for going to Israel. And she stayed for a short time in that hostel in Bucharest and then she left to Israel in 1947 or 1948. Officially, her name was Erica, but they called her Edna in Israel. I don't know why, but she had her name changed in Israel. I don't know what job she had there - whatever she could find on arriving where they sent them from that hostel. We only received mail indirectly, through aunt Ana - because she had no job, she wasn't afraid. There was a time when you weren't allowed to have connections in Israel, so we didn't. And we received news indirectly... After a period of time, it was allowed, and we wrote to each other.

My sister met her future husband, Max Sinai, in Israel. He is from Romania, too, from Darabani - the market town of Darabani - located near Dorohoi -, he raised cattle for a living in Israel. [Darabani is located 38 km north-east of Dorohoi.] They married in 1964 [probably in Bat Yam, that is what the wedding photograph reads, the photograph rosmi031]. My sister died around 1980, I forget the actual year. And her husband calls me on the phone once in a blue moon. He is still alive and is living in Israel, but I don't know which city they moved to.