

Magdalena Berger's Grandmother Roza Grossberger



My maternal grandmother Roza Grossberger. The photo was taken in front of their home in Subotica around 1934. My father, David Grossberger, was born in Bonyhad (Hungary) in 1891 to Leopold Grossberger and Roza Grossberger (nee Veseli). Leopold and Roza Grossberger moved to Subotica with their 8 children to pursue a better financial and Jewish life. At the time, Yugoslavia offered a more tolerant and receptive atmosphere for religious Jews as well as more economic opportunities. Once in Yugoslavia, Leopold worked as a peddler in local markets. While he was not

as poor as many of the other people in the community, he never achieved great financial success. Leopold and Roza were both very observant -- you can see that here she is wearing a black wig -- and they raised their family that way. In their later years they were supported by their children, and Leopold devoted himself to Torah study.