Dusanka And Her Husband



This is me and my future husband then, Dusan Necak, before we got married. He was born in 1910 in Lika and his mother and father died right away, so that by the time he was three years old he had no parents. He had an elder brother, however, he saw that he could not raise a small child. From Lika he went to Fiuma (now Rijeka in Croatia), a command post, to an uncle. He was an Austro-Hungarian officer, and his aunt, I think, was Hungarian or half Hungarian. He spoke Hungarian and German excellently and Serbian so that we did not have a problem with language. My mother did not speak Serbian only what she learned from us. My husband grew up there in Rijeka (Fiuma). He finished school there, gymnasium and then he transferred to the Commercial Academy in Belgrade and then the Military Academy. I met my husband at a school dance. He came to the dance. He went with Jewish girls a lot and they called me all the time to go to these parties. Rich Jewish girls were often making parties, and were inviting officers. We got married in Senta, in a church. I had to convert to Christianity because of the marriage, but I never became religious in that way. That is when I changed my name from Suzana Hacker to Dusanka Necak. My mother didn't complain because he was a non-Jew, she was just unsatisfied with the fact that I was too young. They got on very well, Dusan and my mother, he was even sending postcards to my mother for Yom Kippur, postcards that only she understood. We have two children-Marina was born in 1936 in Prilep, on the 24th of May, and died six years ago, in 1996. Sasa was born in 1938 on the 3rd of February in Novi Sad.