

## Revekka Mexina's Father Mendel Mexin And **Mother Hana Mexina**



My father Mendel Mexin and my mother Hana Mexina, nee Balahovskaya.

My mother could read and write in Yiddish and Hebrew and knew prayers by heart even at her old age.

In 1904 my parents Mendel Mexin and Hana Balahovskaya got married. They were introduced to one another. They had a traditional Jewish holiday with the huppah and there was a rabbi present. After their wedding my mother moved to Novo-Ukrainka. They rented half a house. My father worked for a timber dealer and my mother was a housewife.

After the pogrom when my uncle Abram and his sons were killed, my family and uncle Lyova moved to Elisavetgrad (Kirovograd) in 1915. My father and uncle Lyova got a job at the timber storage facility. My father was a timber expert and uncle Lyova was working at the sales department.

Our family was a wealthy one. Even though my mother didn't work we had a housemaid to cook, go shopping and clean the apartment. My mother spent a lot of time with us, children. She read to us in Yiddish

In February 1941 my father died.