

The Anzhel Family



The Anzhel family. In the second row are my daughter Yafa (Zhani) and my son Izi (Zhak). In the first row are my husband Larry and I. The photo was taken in 1968 in Sofia. In that same year my daughter Zhani got married but the photo was taken before that moment. It was taken in a studio. There is neither a stamp of a photo shop on the back, nor any other inscription. My first child Yafa, who was named after my mother-in-law, was born on 2nd June 1945 in Sofia. She goes by Zhani. She finished high school and got a degree in engineering. She used to work as a designer-engineer. Now she is retired. She got married to Yozhi Beraha in 1968. She has two children, Isak and Roza. My son Zhak was born on 23rd April 1949 in Sofia. He has a secondary vocational education and works as an electricity technician in the trade system. He is married to Emilia Dimtirova, a Bulgarian. He has a son, Leon. We brought up our children in Jewish self-awareness. We kept the Jewish high holidays Rosh Hashanah, Pesach, Purim, but we didn't stick to all the rituals. For example, we didn't disguise ourselves at Purim; we weren't fasting for Yom Kippur. We went to the synagogue but rarely. The most important thing for us was that the whole family got together for the holidays. And we always had a great time.