

Wedding Photo Of Shimon Danon And Anna Danon



This is me with my wife Anna and our families on our wedding day in Sofia in 1954. My Aunt Fortune is behind my wife in the centre of the photo. Her husband Buhor is behind me and next to him is Iosif Kamhi. As his brother was a partisan, his whole family was put in a camp in Kailuka, Pleven. One night fascists attacked the camp, set it on fire and Iosif's mother burned to death in the flames right before his eyes. People jumped out of the windows, and ran in panic. Iosif and his father couldn't save her. Some 13 people burned to death there. My wife Anna is a doctor. I met her in the reading-room of the library of the Jewish community in the 1950s. At that time I was a law student but I also worked there as a librarian. It was a rich library, visited by a lot of Jewish students. There I met Anna and we soon got married - we had a secular wedding. We have one daughter Raia, who is a teacher of Spanish language at the Spanish high school in Sofia.