

Saliman Rabinovich



This is my wife Fira Rabinovich's father Saliman Rabinovich. This is the photograph on his identity card. The picture was taken in Kiev in 1916. Saliman Rabinovich came from a big assimilated Jewish family. He came to Kiev from Riga, where he was born in 1880. He was a big china specialist and worked in famous china factories. He met his wife, nee Ratmanskaya, in 1911. He died of spotted fever in 1933. My wife didn't know Yiddish. Her father took her to the synagogue several



times when she was a child. Fira worked at a hospital at the front. She was awarded the Order of the Great Patriotic War. Her grandmother and grandfather were killed in Babi Yar. Her grandmother's name was Lubov and her grandfather's Wolf Ratmanskiye.