

Nisim Kalef With His Three Sons



This is my grandfather, Nisim Kalef, with my father, Avram Kalef, and his two brothers that died very young. My father is the youngest in the photo. This picture was taken in the Visit Portrait studio in Belgrade in the 1900s. Nisim Kalef died early, in 1912, so I didn't know him. He died a banal death. He had a perforation to the caecum and died. His wife, my grandmother Matilda Kalef, remained to struggle with the three kids. Then two sons died and only one remained, my father Avram. I don't know the names of the boys who died. My father was born in Belgrade in 1902. He was a wonderful child, went to gymnasium, spoke several languages and finished that academy for

international trade. My father was a diabetic and had to pay a lot of attention to what he ate.