

The House Of Salvator Israel



This is a photo of the house where my husband Salvator Israel lived with his family. The house was situated in the center of Plovdiv. It does not exist today, it was destroyed. The second person from left is my husband's father Marko Israel. I don't know the others in the photo, but I suppose they are Salvator's mother and sisters. My husband's father was a very wealthy and respected merchant in Plovdiv, but he went bankrupt and lost all his money before World War II. He married a Hungarian Sephardi Jew named Leontin Demayo, who had lived in Budapest and Vienna before the marriage. They met in Vienna on one of Marko's business trips, they married and Leontin came to

Bulgaria. My husband had five sisters - Rashel, Sarika, Rene, Elizabeth and Hanika, who died very young. My husband was born on 2nd April 1908.