

Abram Kopelovich With Friends In Moscow



This is me with friends in Moscow. The photo was taken in the 1950s. I became a student of the Mechanical Faculty, specializing in mechanics and design of polygraphic machines. For two years I lived and studied in the former equestrian institute in Golitsino, Moscow region. Nikita Khrushchev liquidated the equestrian institute and gave the premises to our college. Because we were students of arts and humanitarian sciences, they fed us miserably. We got so sick of it, we went on strike! Nobody went to eat for two days. At that time the so-called Hungarian events of 1956 were happening. Instantly all sorts of administrators descended upon our school to see what the problem was. Nobody was touched. And we ended up with better food. Everyone got along. Take a look at this picture, at all the nationalities. No one thought anything of who was a Jew or whatever. We graduated in 1960. After graduation, we met up every five years. On the 5th of May - the Publisher's Day. We continued meeting until Latvia became independent. Everybody used to come - even some foreigners, who studied with us. During these 30 years we were gathering every five years .