

Edit Kovacs' First Husband Vilmos Weisz In The Forced Labor Camp In Balf



The photo of Vilmos Weisz, my first husband, was taken in the forced labor camp in Balf in December 1944. He was drafted in 1942, a year after our marriage. At first he worked in the Weisz Manfred Steel Factory (which had also been Jewish before its confiscation) in Budapest. He was taken to Balf in November 1944 and beaten to death in the camp because he had stolen one small potato. One of the most famous Hungarian writers and literary historians, Antal Szerb, was in the same group. He was buried in a common grave and was identified later by the dog tag on his body. After the war, I had his name put on the memorial erected for the victims of the camp in Balf.