

Marika Krpez's Grandmother Regina Deutsch



The picture was taken in Subotica in 1936. In front of her apartment on Cara Lazara Street is my paternal grandmother, Regina Deutsch (nee Holtzer). She was the pillar of our family. She was born in Szeged on April 20, 1876. I think that she was very poor, because she married when she was 29 years old. In those days that was very late. She married a widower, Mor Deutsch, who was 25 years older than her and who had a daughter, Serena, from his first marriage. During her marriage to Mor she had two children, a son, Lazar, my father, and a daughter, Klara. They lived in an apartment

which had an entrance into the garden. Grandmother Regina was a housewife. They had a very difficult life. My grandmother kept a kosher kitchen. Grandmother Regina was very religious. Every afternoon my father, my mother and I would go to visit her. She insisted that all the holidays be celebrated in her house and she went to great efforts to make sure that everything was according to the laws. All the members of the family regularly went to synagogue. My grandmother liked to knit and to do all other kinds of handwork. She died in Subotica in 1940.