

Suzana And Leon Madzhar's Wedding Picture



This is a photo from my wedding. There was a ritual for the bride and groom to be accompanied by music to the town hall. Music is a strong word - there were two gypsies with drums. My wife, Suzana Buko Madzhar (nee Levi), didn't want them to play so they didn't. The photo was taken on 1st May 1954 on the main street in Dupnitsa while we were walking towards the town hall. In

January 1945 I was released from the army and continued my education in the trade high school in Sofia. After two years I finished my secondary education. After that I applied to the Institute of Economics. In Sofia I met my future wife Suzana Buko Levi. She was born in Kyustendil in 1933. She is also a Jew and has a brother and sister. Her brother was a partisan and on 9th September he came down from the mountain, took part in the battles in Serbia and was killed there. He was only 21 years old. Her sister Vitka was also born in Kyustendil. She was a housewife and for some time she was a sales assistant. She and her husband have passed away. Suzana finished school in Kyustendil and came to Sofia to study Law. We met when she was in her first year. We became very good friends and married in 1954. We didn't have a religious wedding, because there were no such weddings at that time. We married in Dupnitsa. Then she finished her education and she worked as a lawyer and legal adviser until she retired. My wife and I have a son and a daughter. Morits was born in 1954 and Nina in 1959.