

Leon Madzhar's Family



This is a picture of my family taken in Sofia in the 1970s: my wife Suzana Madzhar (first from left, sitting), my daughter Nina Katarivas (first from right, standing) and my son Morits Madzhar (first from left, standing). My wife 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. Both were born in Sofia. Morits graduated as an architect. He has two children: Leon, born in 1979 and Daniela, born in 1980. My daughter Nina finished high school and wanted to study in the Institute of Economics, but then she gave it up. She worked as an economist for a long time, and now she helps her husband, with whom she has a stall in the market. They have two children: Moni, born in 1979 and Suzana, born in 1983.