

Srul And Dora Dajbog At The Beach



Uncle Srul Dajbog and Aunt Dora Dajbog (nee Cymerman) at the beach in Warsaw. I think this photo was taken before they got married, probably in 1939. They got married shortly before the war started. I wasn't at their wedding, because I was in Kielce. The youngest of my father's siblings was Uncle Srul, born in 1907, who secured a university degree. Uncle Noach completed a junior high school, and Srul completed a high school and entered a university. He graduated from the law faculty around 1935, and married Aunt Dora in 1939, right before the war. I happened to be in

Kielce on vacation when I learned [about their wedding]. One of the first bombs that were dropped on Warsaw hit their apartment and while they luckily happened to be outside, I remember Father telling me the apartment got completely destroyed, and how he had to share his clothes with them. In fact, Father had been helping them earlier as well, as Uncle Srul had lived with us. There was an incredible hunger for knowledge in that family, a drive for everyone to learn and get ahead in life as far as possible. Perhaps in all Jewish families? but here it was really exceptionally strong. In 1939 Aunt Dora and Uncle Srul decided to go to Luck and stay with Uncle Noach. In 1940, the NKVD came to the place where Uncle Noach worked and took him straight from there to a transport. He managed to notify Aunt Dora and his brother, and they hurried to join the same transport, because they realized they'd all be taken away sooner or later and they wanted to be together. They were sent to Siberia and ended up in a camp.