

Deniz Nahmias And Her Brothers David And Solomon Angel



On this photo you can see me with my brothers, David (in the center) and Solomon Angel. The picture was taken at Liontas and Mavridis studio in Thessaloniki in the 1930s. I was very close to my youngest brother and since I was a couple of years older I protected him. David was six years older than I, so he didn't really mix with us, whereas Solomon and I, exactly because we were so close as far as age was concerned, had a special bond, a unique relationship. We used to play together in the neighborhood; we use to do all the nutty things together. I remember when he was young they always dressed him up as a sailor-boy or in Tyrolese clothes, because they were very

much in fashion those days. As I mentioned, I always protected him and I allowed no one to come and tease him. If this happened I used to fight with the ones who teased my brother. David completed the American College and attended the public high school in Thessaloniki and then went to France where he learned the work of the textile producer. The mother tongue of my brothers was Greek but also French and Ladino. They also learned English. None of them got married. My oldest brother fought on the Albanian front during World War II, and Solomon only completed his military service after the war was over.