

## Menachem-Nuchem Pisetski, Riva-Zelda Pisetskaya And Their Daughter Chaya



These are my father's parents Menachem-Nuchem Pisetski and Riva-Zelda Pisetskaya, nee Karasyova with their younger daughter Chaya Meyerson, nee Pisetskaya. The photo was taken in Uman in 1923. My grandparents got married in 1898. They had a happy marriage: in the first three years their three children were born in Odessa. In 1905 my grandfather, grandmother and their three children moved to Uman, a small provincial town in the west of Ukraine, escaping from the

terrible Odessa pogrom that year. My grandfather bought a big and beautiful house with columns in the center of the town and opened a garment shop. His clients were wealthy ladies. My grandparents had six more children. My father's youngest sister Chaya was born in 1919. She finished a lower secondary school in Odessa. Chaya married Israel Meyerson, a Jewish man, in 1936. They had a Jewish wedding with a chuppah. There was a big wedding party. All her brothers and sisters and their families from Kharkov, Moscow and Kursk came to her wedding in Odessa. The wedding was in my grandparents' home. There was even an article about this wedding in a Jewish newspaper - I don't remember, which newspaper it was, but my father told me that there was even a photo of our family published. Chaya and Israel had a son called Senia. When the Great Patriotic War began Chaya and her family evacuated to Tashkent. Israel went to the front and in 1943 his family received the notification of his death.