

Rachel Randvee And Her Family At Their Summer House



This is me and my family in our summer house in Vosu. The photo was taken in 1960. In the summer of that year, my family rented a summer house in a resort place of Vosu, at the shore of the Gulf of Finland. Our father visited us occasionally; my sister Riva and her family came to stay on weekends. On one occasion we all got together to be photographed. Standing in the upper row (left to right): Yakov Kozlovski, Hesse Kozlovski, Riva Kozlovski, nee Tsivian, myself and my second husband, Tarmo Randvee. Sitting in the lower row (left to right): Gabriel Kozlovski, Pesach Kozlovski, Hirsh-Leib Tsivian, Ene Randvee and Riho Randvee. My sister, Riva, did not become a pianist as our parents had expected. Throughout her life she sat at a sewing machine and worked as a simple seamstress. Yakov, her husband, suffered from heart disease and died at 62. They raised three sons. Hesse, the eldest son, now owns a large business in Tallinn; he is a trustee with the Jewish Community of Estonia. He has a Jewish family; his daughter married a Jew and they live in the USA. Gabriel, his second son, has a mixed marriage, but his children are now interested in Jewish life. Pesach, Riva's youngest son, is a very sensitive and kind person. He always cared for his mother and helped her in all things. Pesach has always been close to his mother, and, perhaps, that's why he is still single. My sister Riva died in 2000.