

## Martin Ratz In A Sports Team



This is a picture of my husband, Martin Ratz, in a sports team; it was most likely a Maccabi team. My husband is the third from right standing. The photo was taken in Cracow in 1938.

I met my future husband, Martin Ratz, while at university in Lwow. There was a shop on the university grounds where you could buy drawing paper, ink and things like that and I continually met this handsome young guy in the dean's office, where you got vouchers for the learning material. Well, that handsome young guy was Martin and he became my boyfriend.

When my husband was in grammar school, his mother decided to send him to her sister in Vienna, probably because - but this is only my supposition - he had the chance of getting better final exams there than in Cracow. Martin moved to his aunt's in Vienna - she lived on Rechte Wienzeile - in 1937. In 1938, a year before his final exams, he was expelled from Austria for being a Polish Jew.