

The Ribush Family



This is a picture of almost the complete family of my grandpa Alexander Ribush. The photo was taken in Pskov in 1920.

My grandfather is in the foreground, grandma, his second wife, Khaya Moiseyevna, is sitting beside him. To her left are my mother's sisters, but I do not remember their name, they are grandpa's first wife's children, and then there's my grandma's daughter Lyuba. My grandpa's three sons are in the second row: Daniyl, Abram and Lazar. Beside them is my mum Berta Alexandrovna. Malvina, uncle Lazar's daughter is sitting on grandpa's lap. When she was born in 1919, the Civil War was at its height and it was not possible to send telegrams. It was allowed to send telegrams which informed about someone's arrival. So the relatives received the following telegram about her birth: Malvina Lazarevna arrived successfully. To the right from grandpa is Malvina's mother, uncle Lazar's wife, Tsilya Yakovlevna. There were two daughters besides these family members. One of them, Berta, died in the same year mother was born. She died of tuberculosis and mum, the new-born, was given her name. The other daughter, Rosa, by the time this picture was taken, was married already and lived in Tallinn.