

Elka Roizman's Uncle Zeidl Braiman



This is a picture of my father's oldest brother Zeidl Braiman. The photo was taken for his Soviet passport in 1940 in Yedinsty. My father's parents came from the town of Yedintsy, which belonged to Russia before 1918. After 1918 Bessarabia became part of Romania. I don't remember my father's parents. My grandfather, David Braiman, died in the 1910s and my grandmother, Elka Braiman, died in 1919, long before I was born. They had seven sons: my father and his older brothers. Their family was religious, like all Jewish families at that time. My grandparents observed Jewish traditions, prayed, went to the synagogue on Saturdays and holidays, observed Sabbath, celebrated Jewish holidays and followed the kashrut. My father and his brothers studied at cheder. Neither my father nor my uncles were deeply religious, but they observed traditions. Zeidl was my father's oldest brother, he was 9-10 years older than my father. He lived in Zheredevka village, about 5 kilometers from where we lived. His wife's name was Miriam. They had no children. Miriam's sister, I believe her name was Rokhl, lived in the same village. Uncle Zeidl and Miriam's sister owned a water mill. Besides, my uncle had a dairy farm. He kept cows and calves. He had employees on his farm. During the Great Patriotic War Zeidl and his family perished in the ghetto in

Transnistria.