

Lev Zakh And His Mother Ida Zakh



This is my mother-in-law Ida Zakh and her son Lev Zakh, my future husband. This photo was taken in Tartu in 1939. My husband Lev's family came from Tartu where both his father, Itzhak Zakh, and his mother, Ida Zakh, were born. Ida was born in 1898. As for Itzhak, I can't remember, when he was born. Both families were quite wealthy. Itzhak finished a German gymnasium. Ida also studied in a gymnasium, but I can't remember any details. Itzhak took up some training related to jewelry business. He became a skilled jeweler and could make whatever fine pieces of jewelry. Itzhak's only brother Khirsh finished the Medical Department of Tartu University. He was a doctor. My mother-in-law Ida had a sister. I don't know how my in-laws met, but what I know is that finally both brothers married the sisters. My husband Lev, the only son of Ida and Itzhak, was born in

Tartu in 1929. Two years after he was born the family moved to Tallinn. Itzhak was the breadwinner, and Ida did the housekeeping. Itzhak had a little jewelry shop in the center of Tallinn. Itzhak had one employee working for him. He was also a skilled jeweler. Lev went to the Jewish gymnasium in Tallinn, and Ida worked as a teacher in a Jewish kindergarten.