

Tauba Mattes



This is my maternal grandmother Tauba Mattes. This picture was taken after World War 2, but I don't know the exact year. She doesn't look very well, she was ill - something to do with the liver.

The name of my grandfather from my mother's side was Iancu Moise Mattes, and my grandmother's name was Tauba. She was a housewife and my grandfather had a store in Sulita, too. That's how it was in small towns - trading was the occupation of Jews. This grandfather had a manufacture store - fabrics only. After my grandfather died - around 1934-1935 -, the grandmother from my mother side lived with her daughter Branica at first, at Frumusica, then she came to Botosani together with them. And then, after the daughter died, when uncle Heinic married his

second wife, my grandmother left to live with my mother's other sister – who is living in Israel at present, but she was still living in Botosani back then – as the grandmother from my father's side lived with us. The grandmother from my mother's side died here, in Botosani, in 1961, I believe she was 80 or 81. She is buried here, I go to visit her grave.