

Rimma Leibert's Uncle Aron Leibert's Daughters Rita Leibert, Lida Leibert And Their Friends



My uncle Aron's daughters: Rita in the lower row on the right and Lida in the upper row on the left, and their friends. They both perished in Mirgorod in 1941. This photo was taken in Leningrad in 1940. My father's brother Aron finished a political military school in Leningrad and stayed to serve there. He also finished the Military Academy. At the beginning of the Great Patriotic War he was a colonel and lectured at the Academy. His wife Sonia, a Jew, came from the town of Mirgorod in Ukraine. They had two daughters: Lidia and Rita, born in the middle of the 1930s. They have a prewar photo where the girls were photographed with their friends. In early June 1941 Sonia and the girls went to Mirgorod to visit Sonia's parents. When the war began, they failed to evacuate and perished in Mirgorod. They and Sonia's parents were killed by fascists. Aron went to the front on the first days of the war. He was commander of a regiment. He perished near Kharkov in 1941. He didn't know what happened to his family. He was probably hoping they had survived.