

Yefim Volodarskiy's Wife Anes Dubinskaya's Parents Haika Dubinskaya And Simkha Dubinskiy



My wife's parents Haika and Simkha Dubinskiy. This photo was taken on their wedding anniversary in Belaya Tserkov town approximately in 1910.

In 1934 I entered Agricultural College, present Agricultural Academy. I finished the Faculty of Mechanization at the Academy in 1939. I got a job assignment to Chernigov [regional center, about 150 km from Kiev], where I was a shop superintendent. We also studied military disciplines in college and after finishing it I became a reserve lieutenant of armored troops. I worked at the vehicle and tractor plant in Chernigov. I went to visit my father in Belaya Tserkov. On my way back on 22 June 1941 I heard about the war and that Kiev was bombed... I decided that I had to go to the military registry office for mobilization. I went to the plant to pick my documents from there, but they said: 'Oh, no, you already have a release from military service and you are employed!' The plant evacuated to Kuibyshev on 1 July. We were the first plant to evacuate and I got tickets in a nice train! I was seeing a girl, a nice Jewish girl, I liked her, but I was not thinking of marriage yet. So I offered her to evacuate with me. She agreed instantly. The girl's name was Anes Dubinskaya. Her mother was a common woman and I was an all right guy, so they agreed. Her older daughter was smart, though. She said: 'What do you mean go with him? No. Let him marry her first!' This is how it was then: you want her - you marry her. I said: 'Let's get married!' We went to a registry office where our marriage was registered. So I got married.

My wife's parents came from Volodarka village near Kiev. My wife's father Simkha Dubinskiy owned a leather factory there. Bandits killed my wife's father during a pogrom in the 1920s. Soviet authorities expropriated the factory and their belongings. My mother-in-law's name was Haika Dubinskaya. I don't know her maiden name. Her older daughter was married. Frankly speaking, I don't remember anything about her. After her husband died my mother-in-law and her daughters moved to Kiev. She had a relative in Kiev, an uncle, it seems, who was a supplier for the army at the czarist time. He was very wealthy. He was single. He gave my mother-in-law his apartment in the center of Kiev. This is all I know about him.