

Igor Brover's Mother Ida Brover With My Sister Raisa



This is my mother Ida Brover (the first from the left) with my sister Raisa in the kolkhoz kindergarten. This photo was taken in Ivanovka village Odessa region in 1945. We reevacuated from Uzbekistan in late 1944 by train. The trip lasted a month less three days. We sent our baggage separately. Since there were problems with salt at that time we sent a bag of salt with the luggage. Neither the salt nor our most valuable things reached us. They were stolen. We came to our village hungry and cold. Our neighbors helped us and we felt at home again. The kolkhoz gave us the same house where we lived before the war. My mother worked as director of the food and materials storage of the kolkhoz. Every morning she took my sister Raisa to the kindergarten. There were about twenty children and two tutors in the kindergarten. The children played with toys or with one another like in any other kindergarten, and their tutors read books to them.