

Anna Ulik's grandfather Zakhariy Papish



My grandfather, Zakhariy Osipovich Papish, wearing a cap of land surveyer and price-fixer. The photo was made in 1923 in Zhitomir.

grandfather, her father, often went to Warsaw. His name was Zakhariy Papish. He died in 1936. From mother's stories I know that being a young man he went to St. Petersburg on foot and graduated from the Higher Agricultural Academy there. He majored in agriculture and forest estimation. It was an interesting and prestigious work requiring special skills. He worked for big

land owners. He was given a special house and a cart - and every other thing he needed for his work. His family always accompanied him. They lived in different cities. I only know Pinsk, Lutsk and some other cities of the Volyn province. The family of my grandparents was large. As far as I remember they had five children. I can't name them all though. I only remember those whom I met personally.

We did not see much of our grandfather because he lived separately and died from pneumonia in 1936.