

Solomon Saltiel With His Children Juliet And Kalina



This is my son Solomon Saltiel, during his specialization in quantum electronics in America. The photo was taken in Los Angeles at the beginning of the 1990s.

Solomon is professor, doctor of sciences, working in the area of quantum electronics. Solomon's children are Juliet and Kalina Saltiel. Currently Juliet is a third-year student in Economics and Finance Management at the American University in Blagoevgrad.

We did not educate our children in the Jewish traditions. Maybe this was a mistake. They know what had happened to my family and me during the war, but they do not talk much about it. They know that they are Jews, but I do not think they feel Jewish. We celebrate the Jewish holidays very rarely, we started doing it only recently and we invite them here, but they are not used to that. They do not go to the synagogue.

All my children are married to Bulgarians, so they celebrate both Pesach and Christmas, but they do not celebrate Christmas in a religious way, they just mark the holiday. My wife prepares some Jewish dishes, she also taught her Bulgarian daughters-in-law to prepare matzah, make a soup with matzah balls, make pastel for Pesach, agristada, anjinara. My wife Juliet learned the recipes for these dishes from a special collection of recipes published by the Shalom publishing house at the Shalom Organization of Jews in Bulgaria.