

The Revah Family - Milka And Rofat



This is the family of my sister Milka and her husband Rofat Revah. The photo was taken in 1955 in Tel Aviv.

We were four children. My sister Milka Beniamin Revah, born on 13th April 1921 in Samokov; my elder brother Sinto Beniamin Kohen, born on 2nd January 1923 in Samokov and my younger brother Miko Beniamin Kohen, born on 26th June 1926, also in Samokov. We have always been best friends.

My sister Milka became a social worker in Israel (she had a university education in Bulgaria) and my brother Sinto, who was studying medicine in Bulgaria became a famous doctor. They still live in Israel today and have good families, children and grandchildren. My sister has two boys and my brother Sinto - a son and a daughter. All I know about their families is that Milka married before she left - to Rofat Revah in 1940, who was from Plovdiv and I lived with them in Samokov for a while.

My sister Milka was the first to start learning to play the violin. She had private lessons, which also affected our family budget. In order to pay the teacher my mother prepared a large table cover, which she gave to her instead of money. In 1947 I married Avram Melamed. We met through a group of Jewish friends from Plovdiv. I was in Plovdiv visiting my sister who had just married Rofat Revah from Plovdiv. Friends of his decided that I and Avram Melamed were perfect for each other and made everything possible to convince us in that. This was my first meeting with Rofat Revah, the husband of my sister Milka. [She] has two boys: Izak Rofat Revah [born in 1942] and Beniamin Rofat Revah [born in 1947]. Currently Izak lives in Canada. He works as an engineer there.