

Grandma Jolana Schwartz With Her Daughters



This photo shows my grandmother Jolana Schwartz with her daughters. Theoretically, I should be able to name them all. The first on the right is Greta, then Iren (Irena). The baby in my grandma's arms is Zelma. The smaller girl on my grandmother's right is Roza, and standing above her is my mother, Helena.

My mother's family was from Bratislava. They were natives of Bratislava. Grandma Jolana was a seamstress. She sewed for clients, but also for her friends and family.

Grandma Jolana used to regularly visit all six of her daughters. I'll begin with my mother. She was named Helena. Another daughter was Greta, married name Perlova. Then there was Zelma, who married Freundlich. Next was Bella, Rozalia, or Roza. Aunt Roza married Adolf Fischer. Fischer was a well-known typographer. He had a memorial plaque in the Pravda publishing house in Bratislava. Aunt Roza had two daughters, Edita and Lydia. Another of my mother's sisters was Irena, married as Ehrenreichova. After her wedding she lived with her husband and children in the town of Sahy. Her children were named Stela and Richard.