

## Leon Madzhar And His Granddaughter Suzana Leon Katarivas



This photo was taken in Sofia in 2000 in my daughter and son-in-law's apartment. It shows me, my granddaughter Suzana Leon Katarivas (the younger daughter of my daughter) and a cousin. My wife and I have a son and a daughter. Morits was born in 1954 and Nina in 1959. Both were born in Sofia. My daughter Nina finished high school and wanted to study in the Institute of Economics, but then she gave it up. She worked as an economist for a long time, and now she helps her husband, with whom she has a stall in the market. They have two children: Moni, born in 1979 and Suzana, born in 1983. My granddaughter Suzana studies acting in the New Bulgarian University. We were all very surprised by her decision, because I don't think it's a very profitable job, but she chose it

and she is very happy, and her teachers are very pleased with her, too. These days we try to gather together on the Jewish holidays. My wife and I invite them on Pesach. My wife makes burmolikos, fritikas de prasa; there is always matzah, but there is also bread, unfortunately. We don't observe the rituals strictly, but we gather together. It's very difficult in these times to gather all the family, everyone has their obligations, which can't be put off. Sometimes only the grandchildren come. I try to sing the three or four old songs I remember from my grandmother. One of them is "El kavritiko."