

Feiga Tregerene And Her Family



This is my family. From left to right: I, Feiga Tregerene, my husband David Treger, our son Simon, daughter Chaya, my sister Hanna and her husband Yakov Yashgur. This photo was taken in Zarasai in the 1960s, when Hanna and her husband were visiting us. David had a good position: he was deputy director of the district consumers' association. However difficult this period of time was, David was doing well. In 1947 our son was born. We named him Simon after my husband's father. We had a very good life. My husband was paid well, and we had all we needed. In 1956 my daughter was born. We gave her the name of Chaya after my mother. However, when the girl went to school, we started calling her Raya. We were raising our children in the Jewish way. Since their early childhood they were aware of their uncle's death. We told them about the memorable, sad and tragic events of Jewish history. Hanna didn't get along with her husband. She divorced him, but stayed to live in Kaunas. Hanna was a member of the Communist Party. She was the director of the passport office and retired from this position in due time. She married Yashgur, a Polish Jew. My sister must have been born unfortunate. Her second husband wasn't an easy-going man either. She lived with him for over 20 years. He died a few years ago. Hanna lives alone in Kaunas now. Her son Rimantas identifies himself as a Lithuanian. He doesn't recognize any Jewish traditions. He married a Lithuanian girl and raises his children according to Lithuanian traditions.