

Wacek Kornblum's Wife Janina



This is Janina Kornblum, my wife. This photograph has been made in July 1950, just after we got married.

My wife, Jasia - Janina, maiden name Aneksztejn, was born in Warsaw in 1923. She was the only child in an assimilated family, her father worked in the American Embassy and was far from Judaism, like her mother Helena Aneksztejn, nee Finkelblech. She went to a Polish gymnasium on Miodowa Street, but had Jewish friends. She had aunts, one in Holland, and another one, who survived the war in Russia, then went to London with her husband, we used to go there.

After the war I spent a long time in the health resort in Otwock, I was very sick with tuberculosis, in both lungs. They sent us to a dentist. And there was Mrs. Filipowicz, a dentist, also a Jew, who survived. And my future wife used to come to that dentist as well, a young woman, who also had sick lungs. Mrs Filipowicz set up our visits in such a way, that I used to meet my future wife there. We got married in 1950.