

## David Levi And His Family



This is a photo of my brother David Levi and his wife Dora with their two daughters, Rashel and Mazal. His mother-in-law, Ina, is also in the picture. The photo was taken in Israel in the 1950s. My mother gave birth every two years. Two years after I was born, in 1917, she gave birth to my brother David; after that, in 1919, my brother Mordechai was born; in 1921 my sister Adela was born; in 1923 my mother had a miscarriage, and in 1925 she gave birth to my youngest brother, Yosif. Our age difference was ten years. In the course of time, I, being the eldest among them, gradually turned into something like a 'third' parent for them, as my father was already 60 years old when my youngest brother Yosif was born. My brother David and his wife Dora were workers. They left for Israel in 1950 and had two more children there. My brother became a barber in Jerusalem, while his wife was a housewife. Later they moved to Yaffo. During the internment they were in Kyustendil. Before that my brother used to work in 'Bulgaria' factory for industrial goods. I received letters during the wars in Israel. We were six children - three of us in Sofia, and the other three - there, in Israel, and my mother suffered a lot. She was worried for all of us. I was able to see my relatives in Israel only after we had been separated for a whole 30 years.