

Efim Zhornitskiy's Grandmother's Brother Yosl Shneiderman And His Wife Pesia Shneiderman



This is the brother of my grandmother Yosl Shnaiderman and his wife Pesia, who was my father's sister. The photo was made in Dnepropetrovsk in 1940 to be given to the children.

My aunt Pesia was born in 1885. In 1904 she married Yosl Shneiderman, my maternal grandmother's brother. They had seven children. Uncle Yosl always wore dark clothes and had a big beard. Pesia also wore dark clothes. My uncle was called Yosl Kloits (kloits means a log of wood in Yiddish) in the family. He often entered into deals that could hardly be successful. He was a fur specialist. He made fur hats and sold them. In the 1920s he opened a store in his house in Tulchin where he sold commodity goods. Yosl and his family moved into a better apartment in the center of the town in due time. After the NEP was over they moved to Dnepropetrovsk in 1929. After the war he and his family often came to big family celebration to Odessa where the majority of our family lived and they were guests of honor at such family reunions. I remember uncle Yosl dancing on the table at the wedding of my cousin Manechka despite of his advanced age. He lived almost 90 years and died in 1976. Pesia died a year later. They were buried in Dnepropetrovsk.