## **Mina Neustadt And Eva Blitz**



This photo shows our daughters, the older Minka (Mina) and the younger Evicka (Eva) in the 1950s, somewhere on the street in Bratislava. Our older daughter, Minka, in Old German Liebe, was born in Bratislava. We named her after my mother, rest her soul. Our younger daughter is named Evicka, and was born in Pukanec. Both of our daughters got a Jewish upbringing. They got it because I say that I never had to be ashamed of my father nor my mother! They lived courageously. There was never a single person in the world that could say something bad about them. When the children were small, we observed all Jewish and non-Jewish holidays. When our daughters Minka and Evicka went to Pukanec to their grandmother's place for summer holidays, they prayed together with their grandma. Granny, being a Protestant, taught them this prayer: 'My guardian angel, take care of my soul, so that I'll be clean for Moses Christ. Amen.' She used to say to them, 'Children of mine, you can't upset either of the Gods.' With us, religion was never a problem. We were atheists! Where was God when they were trampling my brave mother? Our younger daughter liked sports from the time she was little. This she's obviously inherited from me. From the time she was little she used to go play soccer with boys. Once after school they came for her, to come play with them. But we raised our daughters that work came first, obligations and then fun. So she told them that until the house is clean, she's not going anywhere. In the meantime, my wife returned home, and saw that there were ten boys cleaning our place. Evicka said to her, 'I've got a brigade. They want me to go play soccer with them.' After the cleaning was done my wife told her that everything was fine and that she could go. Our daughter took sports so seriously that she wanted to study physical education. We tried to convince her that she should first of all have - as they say, 'bread in her hands,' and after that everything else. First she graduated from civil engineering tech school, and after that the Faculty of Physical Education at university. Finally she also did Hotel Academy.