

Liza Nisan



My sister Liza Nisan (nee Nusan) is in this photo. She's on Lege Street in Sofia, close to the fashion atelier of Otto Seiner, where she used to work as a seamstress. On the back of the photo there is a MS inscription in ink: '4th November 1943.' Probably this is Liza's handwriting. Lili or Liza was born in 1912. She worked as a seamstress in the fashion atelier of Otto Seiner. She finished Bulgarian elementary, junior high and high school as well. She was also artistically gifted and was attracted by our elder sister, Gizela, to the Jewish amateur theater, but she didn't have Gizela's genuine

talent. She loved reading a lot. She had inherited the affinity to learning foreign languages from my mother. She attended language courses, spoke several languages and later became a bookseller. She was well-measured and frugal in company. She was always elegantly dressed, attentive to the smallest detail of her dress, because she was very exacting both to herself and to the other people. Liza got married in 1956 to the dentist Isak Assa, with whom she lived but had no children. She divorced him in 1958 and left for Israel by herself. There she worked as a seamstress, and got married again, to a Russian Jew with the family name Nisan, who had a daughter. She raised the child as her own.