

David Froim And His Relatives



This is David Froim with his relatives. From right to left: Surica (nee Froim), Mariana (nee Froim), Numi Froim (the wife of David Froim), David Froim and his mother-in-law. The one wearing a bow tie is Moshe Froim, David's son. It was his birthday. The photo was taken in Israel, in the 1950's. Moritz Froim, my mother's brother, had five children: Julieta, David, Zvi, Surica, and Mariana. Three of them are in this picture. David Froim learnt the tailor's trade from his father, of whom he didn't lost sight. He did his military service in Israel, where he fought in the first war for independence, and he told us they had a gun - which was as old as the hills anyway - for five or six people. He had a large can which he would hit with a piece of metal, and so, bang-bang, they would attack making a lot of noise, and the Arabs would think the tanks were coming. To think that this is how they conquered the enclaves - it makes me laugh. After the war, he worked as a warehouse manager for the phone company in Haifa until he retired. He had three children: two boys and a girl. Moshe (in the center) is in charge of a stable - he looks after the horses of some wealthy guy and two or three of his own, which he uses to teach the children how to ride. Ronel is a bachelor and is always studying something. I don't know what he does for a living and he is staying at his mother's. Etti is a Hebrew teacher. She has two children of her own - a boy and a girl. Surica married a boy whom she met on her way to Israel through Italy. She stumbled and fell in a puddle; the guy saw her and went to help her get back on her feet. She was a pretty woman and they got married. They owned a house on Carmiel, in Haifa. She worked there as a shop assistant. She had learnt the tailor's trade and she fixed clothes in some great store in Haifa, which belonged to the army. She passed away in 1998. Mariana, the youngest sister, stayed here, in Bucharest. Those bastards wouldn't give her a passport for a long time. She stayed here for many years, got married, but didn't have children. She became a diabetic, was always a housewife and died many years ago in Israel. Her husband is still alive.