

Mira Cotin With Mina Solomon And Neumann Feldman



This photograph was taken at the engagement of a distant relative, Filip Feldman, the son of Neumann Feldman. In the photograph, from left to right, you can see: my sister, Mira Cotin [nee Mizrahy], my mother's sister, Mina Solomon [nee Schonfeld], and Neumann Feldman.

My sister was born in 1923 in Bucharest. She was a quiet child and a pupil loved and respected by her schoolmates. In college, my sister kept on being a good student and she became a respected physician. She was an obstetrician in the first 10-12 years, and then she changed her specialization after she left the country, becoming a good internist.

Aunt Mina was born in Bucharest in 1896. She worked as a clerk until she married Moritz Ticu Solomon. He fought and was wounded in World War I. He became a sergeant in the Romanian Army. He was a self-made man, an oil man who had a small refinery at the entrance of the town of Ploiesti. He built himself a four-floor apartment house, with two apartments per each floor, in Bucharest, on Sfintilor Street. They were the only ones in the family who had a car and a chauffeur. In the early 1930s they had a Daimler, then a Marmon; I had never heard of this make before and I never heard of it again, but I remember the license plate: 676 B. The ties between the three sisters were very strong. In particular, my mother and Mina were extremely close and this is how they remained until the end of their lives.