

Mor Katz And His Wife



In the picture you can see my maternal grandparents, Mor and Amalia Katz, nee Pollak. It was taken in Budapest in 1941. My paternal grandfather was born in 1877 in Hajduszovat. He was a painter. My grandmother, Amalia Pollak, was born in 1880 in Vekerd, and she died in 1954 in Budapest. They got married in 1901 in Darvas. They had five children, all of them were born in Berettyoujfalu, and then sometime in 1913 or 1914 they moved to Budapest. My mother only finished elementary school. They were extremely poor. My grandmother was ill all the time; my grandfather was never at home. He was a painter. My grandmother raised her four younger siblings: one girl and three boys. My grandfather was a careless man; at least they told me so. After the Arrow-Cross takeover they got to the ghetto, and were liberated from there. After that they went back to their apartment on Arany Janos Street, but from 1948 they got to the Jewish rest home, and they were taken to the hospital from there. My grandfather died in 1952, my grandmother in 1954.