

Yakov Voloshyn With His Family



This is our family during summer vacation in Yevpatoria (Crimea). From left to right: my son Rafail Voloshyn, my daughter Nelly Gluschenko, nee Voloshyna, my wife Lilia Voloshyna, nee Tombak, and I. This photo was taken in 1958 in Yevpatoriya. We spent our summer vacation with the children in the Crimea. Our children often had angina and their doctor advised us to take them to the seashore every summer. Those were happy days: we were together and I didn't have to hurry. This was my time when I enjoyed spending time with the children. Regretfully, working so much, I didn't have much time to spend with my family. I didn't give sufficient attention to my children. I came home late in the evening, had dinner and sat down to work again. I did extra work for other newspapers at home. I had to do a good and timely job for them. After finishing a secondary school my son entered the Faculty of Machine Building in Voronezh Polytechnic College. I can't remember why he didn't continue his studies in Kiev. I don't think it had anything to do with anti-Semitism. In Russia anti-Semitism was no different from Ukraine. After finishing this college my son got a job assignment in Moscow. My daughter finished the Industrial College in Kiev. She is a china production engineer. She married her former Ukrainian classmate. Her marital surname is Gluschenko. Nelly is a production engineer in a scientific research institute of china. She has two daughters: Marina, born in 1972, and Yekaterina, born in 1983. Marina graduated from the Philological Faculty of Kiev State University. She is a pedagog. Yekaterina studies in the Industrial Academy. Nelly and her family live in Kiev. She and my granddaughters often visit me and help me about the house. My children have non-Jewish spouses, but it doesn't matter to me as long as my children are happy.