

Naum Baru's Family



My grandfather Naum (Nuhim) Barats sitting on the right. Sitting in the center: my grandmother Rachil Barats (nee Dovner). Sitting on the left (wearing glasses): my grandmother's brother brother Iosif Dovner from Bershad. Standing on the left: my grandmother's sister Evgenia Dovner, next to her on the right is my grandmother's sister Donia Khazanova (nee Dovner). Standing on the right: Donia's husband Moisey Khazanov. My both grandfathers had died before I was born. Let me tell you about my mother's family. My grandmother and especially my mother told me about the life of Nuhim Barats, my grandfather on my mother's side. He was born in 1870s. My grandfather was a merchant selling fabrics, shoes and haberdashery. He was a well-off and respected man. He lived in Odessa (to do his job there) but he often came to Bershad. Nuhim Barats died in 1921 when my mother was 23. Rachil Barats, Nuhim's wife, nee Dovner, my grandmother on my mother's side, was born in 1877 in Bershad, Vinnitsa region. My grandmother Rukha (Rachil) in 1933 in Kharkov where she was living with her son and she was buried there, too. My grandmother had two brothers: Gersh Dovner and a younger brother Iosiph Dovner, and three sisters: Bella (Beila) Dovner, Evgenia (Genia) Dovner and Donia Dovner. The latter's last name in her marriage was Khazanova. Her husband Moisey Khazanov was a successful sugar dealer. All 3 sisters and their brother Gersh lived in Donetsk. Unfortunately, I never met them and have no more information about them.