

immigration to Israel. Besides he knew German language and was a translator during the WW II.) David stood with father about two weeks, than he came back to Leningrad.

During nazi's occupation of Lithuania (1941-1943) David's father (and other relatives ?) were killed.

In the beginning of the WW II with the Soviet Union (German attacked USSR in June 22, 1941) David was on the Leningrad front. Later he was directed to the Ribinsk tank-school as instructor. Then, in 1944 he was sent on the front again. He finished the WW II in Budapest, but stayed with the Soviet troops until 1950. He returned to Leningrad in a rank of a lieutenant-colonel, and was an instructor in a military school. In 1952 he was asked to be dismissed from the army, as many other Jewish military men, doctors ("The case of doctors") and officials of government institutions. Only Stalin's death in 1953 saved Soviet Jews from the total repressions.

After David discharged the army he became a chairman of council of tenants on a voluntary basis. Latest 15 years he lived as recipient of a merit pension.

This is all information that my father knows about David.

Probably you can find out more facts from his sister Golda who lives in Israel now. She had lived in Volzhsk and several times visited David and Tina in Leningrad.

There is an interesting story how Golda found herself in Volzhsk. When WW II began with the Soviet Union Tina with Rafa and Ita evacuated to Volzhsk by train. On their way Tina, by fortuity, saw Golda, (Her face she remembered from the photo, which David showed to her before.) when she got some water on some junction. Golda was with her two small children - Pusia and Itzek. She was only one David's sister who caught evacuated train from preoccupied Lithuania. Golda was alone and absolutely not understood Russian language, so Tina took Golda with her. In such manner Golda found herself in Volzhsk.

Tina with Rafa and Ita returned to Leningrad in 1945 after the WW II. Golda stood in Volzhsk and lived there until her immigration to Israel in the middle of 80th. Itzek died in age 40th of cancer. Pusia immigrated to Israel recently, where she lives with her family now.

Best wishes to all of you.

Alex.