

Jolan Rosenfeld



This is one of my mother's younger sisters, Jolan Weisz.

The eldest Weisz child was uncle Adolf, then came my mother (Rozsi), Karoly, Lora, Resi, Jolan and Bozsi [Erzsebet].

Jolan married Jozsef Rosenfeld, a mechanic, but he was also a good driver.

They lived in Kolozsvar and had no children. Uncle Jozsi ended up in Ukraine as a forced laborer, he was almost 50 when they took him away.

He came back half-dead as highest grade invalid [disabled] from there. Because at that time they sent the Jews to mine-fields, as well.

He was in a such a group, but not in the middle of the group, because those who were in the middle, were made shreds.

He was at the side of the group, his half body paralyzed, he became mute, he heard almost nothing, he became lame, and he walked with a stick. But by a fortunate accident he came back.

He died around 1950, he is buried in the Jewish Cemetery from Kolozsvar.

I have a prayer-book, he brought it back from forced labor.

His wife gave it to him when he was summoned, and she wrote the following on the front page: 'When you obsecrate to God, please remember that there is a woman who always thinks about you. As a souvenir, with love, Jolan. 19th July 1943.'

His wife, Jolan, was the only one from the siblings who survived.

I don't know exactly how, but she was helped to escape from the ghetto of Kolozsvar and was hidden.

She died in 1993-94, she is buried in the Jewish Cemetery from Kolozsvar as well.