

## Faina Khorunzhenko's Mother Olga Levinson



My mother Olga Levinson during the war in an evacuation hospital in Semenov [Gorky region]. My mother is standing against the wall. Before the death of my father, my mother didn't work anywhere; she was a housewife. In the morning she made breakfast for my father and saw him to the door; then after feeding my grandfather and me, she took me for a walk or shopping. We had no servants, so she did all the housework herself. My mother studied, graduated, and worked as medical assistant to the surgeon for nearly fifty years. After the death of my father and grandfather, my mother and I lived with her sister and her sister's husband. They had no children and loved me as their own daughter. In general, our family feared the war back in 1939. My mother was first called up in September 1939, when our troops entered Poland. My mother was never interested in politics, but was a true patriot, loved her country and her people, and did her noble job of helping people as much as she could.