

Max Shif



In this photo you see my Uncle Max - my father's brother. The photo was made in Germany in 1945. This picture was sent from Germany to Leningrad to my parents and me. Max was born in 1893 in Minsk, graduated from a commercial school, and worked as a division head at the Ministry of Commerce in Belorussia. At the beginning of the war he was involved in the evacuation of the documents of the People's Commissariat, so he sent a car for his family in order to evacuate them from Minsk. But his father and sisters remained in Minsk. He learned of that only after a month, when Minsk was already occupied by the Germans. In 1941 he learned that his children, Yasha and Fanya , had escaped from the ghetto. Max survived the war and died in 1946.