

## Arkadi Milgrom's Sister Dora Goltsfarb With Her Husband Yakov Goltsfarb



My sister Dora and her husband Yakov Goltsfarb photographed in 1948 after their wedding in Baku.

In 1947 Dora's Jewish boyfriend from Krasilov, who courted her before the war, Yakov Goltsfarb, found Dora. Yakov wanted to marry my sister before the war, but my mother was against their marriage. She didn't like Yakov. Yakov served on a submarine and became a warrant officer. He took part in the war and was wounded. He came to Baku in 1947 and Dora married him. They had a civil ceremony in a registry office and arranged a wedding dinner for their friends and relatives. In 1948 their daughter Iraida was born. They had a good life. Yakov held good positions after the demobilization. My sister was a typist at the same plant where he was working. Iraida went to work at the design office of the plant after finishing a college. Everything went well until the breakup of the USSR in the 1990s resulted in blood shedding conflicts between Armenia and Azerbaijan. I kept telling my sister that everything was going to be all right, but she and her family and many other Jewish families moved to Israel in 1990. Now my sister, her husband and their daughter live in Ness Ziona in Israel. They often write us that they are happy with their life in Israel. Iraida was married to an Azerbaijani man who left her after they moved to Israel. She hasn't remarried.