

Esakovitch/Iskakowitz/Icikovic Family

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My maternal grandmother's family came from Sveksna. Her maiden name was Esakovitch, although her brother called himself Isakowitz. Her sister's birth certificate states the name being Icikovic. Their relations were: Fridlander and Prissman or Pridman. I have discovered that two of my ancestor's descendants were classmates of my children.

My grandmother was the daughter of Benjamin Esakovitch. From her sister's birth certificate, I know that he was also called Ovsei Benjas Icikovic. Benjamin must have been born before 1866 and died in about 1938 in Sveksna. I am attaching a photograph of him and his wife Gola (nee Friedlander) taken outside their home in about 1936. The woman standing in this photo is thought to be their daughter Bloomka and the little girl is Raisa (perhaps a granddaughter, we are not sure of the relationship). They wrote that they lived in a room at the back of the building.

Benjamin and Gola had three sons and six daughters. Their descendants include families in the USA, UK, South Africa and Israel.

