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Family background

Moshe Markovich was born on October 2, 1923. His father was Yehuda Ben Yosef and mother Bat Sheva Berkovitch [01:00:22], who came from a traditional Jewish home. His father was a cooper [barrel-maker], while his mother's family lived near a lake in a village with cattle. Both were hard working people. He remembers visiting his grandmother and helping feeding the cows. They spoke Yiddish at home, Hungarian and Moshe went to a Slovakian school and learned Slovakian.

As for his family, Moshe is the elder of 6 children. He had a brother, Azriel, who passed away in 1943 during WWI. He had four [talented] sisters: Raizel, Leah, Gittel and Rachel. He shared that they had another brother and a sister who passed away before WWI. [01:06:45]