Sigmund and Berta Gideon, née Schwarz Deported to Theresienstadt in 1942.

Berta Gideon was born in Rexingen on February 11th 1880. Her parents were Ernestine (Esterle) Löwengart and Hermann Schwarz. She grew up in 104 Brühlstrasse, today 17 Freudenstädter Strasse. She had two sisters, Auguste Eppstein and Blanda Marx, and three brothers, Rudolf, Ludwig and Elias. Ludwig was the only one of the siblings to survive the Shoah.

Berta Schwarz married Sigmund Gideon, a cattle-dealer from Rexingen, born on September 10th 1872 to Berta Einstein from Fellheim and Samuel-Elias Gideon from Rexingen. Sigmund Gideon had one brother Leopold who later fled to the USA with his wife. His sister Kathi was deported to Riga with her husband in 1941.

Berta and Sigmund Gideon lived in Kapf, today 25 Kirchstrasse. They had three children, two of whom - Hermann and Käthe - became co-founders of Shavei Zion. Their daughter Betty fled to the USA in 1935.

On September 26th 1942 Berta and Sigmund Gideon were taken from Theresienstadt to Treblinka where they were murdered in the gas chamber.



The newly-wed couple Berta and Sigmund Gideon.



On the left the former home of Berta and Sigmund Gideon in 25 Kirchstrasse in Rexingen.