## Bonna Bodenheimer, née Schwarz Deported to Riga in 1941.

Bonna was born in Rexingen on September 19th 1887. Her parents were Karoline Schwarz and Moses Hirsch Schwarz. She married the cattle-dealer Sigmund Bodenheimer from Rexingen whose first wife, Fanny Kahn from Baisingen, had died. He brought two sons, Berthold and Sally, into the marriage.



Sigmund and Bonna Bodenheimer in their house in 30 Johanniterstrasse.

In 1921 their daughter Dorothea was born. The family lived first in 30 Johanniterstrasse and later in 10 Freudenstädter Strasse. Bonna Bodenheimer sold poultry but was forced to cease trading in 1938. Her daughter Thea trained in agriculture in Northern Germany in preparation for emigration to Palestine and was able to flee to England as a seventeen-year-old in 1939. After the war she emigrated to Israel.

Sigmund Bodenheimer died on April 12th 1941, as a result of a violent attack. He is buried in the cemetery in Rexingen. Bonna Bodenheimer had three siblings. Her brother Hermann was killed in an accident in 1930. Her sister, Marie Wälder, owner of the



Tamara, Bonna's daughter, and Eliahu Blum with their three sons in the 1960s in Israel.

restaurant 'Gasthaus Rose' in Rexingen, emigrated to Palestine in 1939 with her husband. Her two daughters and sons-in-law were already living there.

Bonna Bodenheimer and her sister Blanda Meyer were deported from Rexingen to Riga.