

The Pride of Our Family

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I and my family visited the Museum of the Great Patriotic War at Poklonnaya Gora. It was very informative. I was very interested by the history of the Great Patriotic War and went there many times. So I decided to know who of my relatives took part in the war. That was the start for my research work. And I would like to tell you about my great-grandparents.



Ivan Stepanovich Myravyov

He was born in 1902.

He died in 1968.

He is my great-great-grandfather on mother's side.

He fought in the Second World War.

He was wounded twice.

He had got 5 brothers who took part in the war, too.

Two of his brothers were killed on different fronts.

Vasiliy Grigorievich Molchanov

He was born in 1924.

He died in 1992.

He is my great-grandfather on mother's side.

He went through the war with his namesake Vasiliy Ivanovich Shelestov.

They became the real friends.

Our families are still friends.

We visit his family in Barnaul and they come to Moscow too.

Awards of Vasiliy Grigorievich Molchanov



The Medal “For the Defense of Stalingrad”

The Medal “For the Capture of Berlin”

The Medal “For the Victory Over Germany in the Great Patriotic War 1941–1945”

The Order of the Patriotic War of the 1st class

The Order of Glory of the 1st class

Nikolay Petrovich Sertakov

He was born in 1909.

He died in 1944.

He is my great-grandfather on father's side.

He went to the war in November 1941.

He was killed on the 14th of July in Belarus.

He was buried in the common grave.

Vasiliy Fyodorovich Sukhov

He was born in 1915.

He died in 1941.

He is my great-great-grandfather on mother's side.

He was called to the front in June 1941.

He was taken prisoner on the 5th of October in 1941.

He was in the Pow camp in Lower Saxony.

He died in captivity in December 1941.

- We must know the heroes of Russia.
- We must be grateful to them.
- They fought for us, for our bright future.

