

Isidore Schaap



Familie Schaap

Isidore and Frederike Schaap moved to Maastricht in 1939. Isidore was a **shopkeeper** and Frederika a **housewife**. They were a much assimilated Jewish family and went to the reformed church with their Christian friends, Derk and Berendje van Assen. They had met Derk and Berendje in front of a local store when they still lived in Rotterdam. The two couples realized that they had a lot in common. Both were in their mid-forties and had **small families**. Derk and Berendje did not have any children, whereas Isidore and Fredrika only had one daughter named **Hetty**.

In the summer of 1942 family Schaap was notified that they had to report for their deportation. Derk and Berendje were both part of the **resistance** and helped them to find a hiding place. They spent the first night at the place of a Maastricht family who owned an optician shop. Their passes were altered and the J erased so that the Schaaps would be able to travel freely. They took a train to Utrecht shortly after. There the family was forced to **split up**. Isidore and Frederika hid in the house of the van Buren's in Amsterdam while Hetty stayed with different families in Appeldorn. She later became a false passport to move around openly.

In Amsterdam Frederika and Isidore were later **betrayed**. The Police Commissioner of Maastricht requested that Isidore Schaap and Frederika Roza Schaap-Kamerling, both living in Maastricht, be located, detained and brought to trial. They were suspected of having changed their place of residence without the required authorization. This description referred to Jews who had gone into hiding. They were along with their **rescuer** van Buren deported to **Auschwitz** and **murdered** in the concentration camp. Their daughter Hetty survived the Holocaust and still lives in the Netherlands.