GLIKSMAN Abraham Abram (1885–1942?), merchant, communal activist. He was born on 19th July 1885 in Częstochowa, the son of Dow Berl, known as the “Grojser Berl” (“Big Berl”), and Hinda née Herc.

From an early age, he studied in a cheder with the rabbi of Mstów and, later, with the Gaon of Sochaczew (Reb Awromełe). He then self-studied in the city’s Beit Ha’Midrash. Together with his Jewish studies, he also received a secular education, which allowed him to become an independent merchant. As a trader in Częstochowa and beyond, he was known as an honourable and reliable merchant.

During the war with the Bolsheviks, he made donations to the Committee to Aid Polish Soldiers (a committee operating through the Jewish Community Council). In the communal life of Częstochowa, for some time, he was active as a board member of Beis Lechem and the Jewish Gimnazjum. He was also one of the co-founders of the “Ohel Nachum” New Beit Ha’Midrash. He also published a special brochure on the subject. He took part in activities to aid the poor in Częstochowa.

Together with his family, he perished during the German occupation, probably in the autumn of 1942, in the Treblinka extermination camp.

In 1904, in Częstochowa, he married Miriam née Klajner (→ Miriam Gliksman), the daughter of Natan and Fajgla née Grylak. They had five children:

- → Wolf,
- → Josef
- Dow-Berl (1921-1930),
- Szeba, married surname Horowicz (1908-1942),
- Rachel (1911-1979), married name Fogel who, in 1931, belonged to the founding committee of the “Lira” Song and Music Lovers Club.


Wiesław Paszkowski