

WIERZBOWSKI (to 1945 WAJNBAUM) Józef (1902–1976?), doctor, head of the Częstochowa municipal Health Department. He as the son of Adolf Abram Wajnbaum (1874 Płock – 14th October 1935 Częstochowa).

In 1929, he graduated in medicine and received his medical degree. As a specialist in internal medicine, he worked, in Częstochowa, in the Municipal Clinic, with Social Insurance and also in the (private) Emergency Department at ul. Wolności 10. He also ran a private practice, his surgery being located at III Aleja 71. At the end of 1937, he became head of the Health Department of the Częstochowa City Council (replacing Dr. Witolda Siciarz).

Wierzbowski was a good pianist and also wrote poetry.

Until 1939, in Częstochowa, he lived at II Aleja 18. During the German occupation (to 1941), he lived in Warsaw at ul. Ceglana 9. He survived the war and, from the second half of the 1940s, he worked as a doctor in Łódź – he lived at ul. Sienkiewicza 51 and, later, at ul. Świerczewska 4a.

His wife was Alina Irena née Gelbard (1905 Częstochowa–), the sister of → Jerzy Gelbard who, in 1929, graduated in medicine and, as a doctor specialising in bacteriology, ran a private medical practice in Częstochowa at II Aleja 18, later in Warsaw at ul. Ceglana 9 and, after the war, in Łódź.

They had two sons - Jan, born in Częstochowa, and Ryszard, who was their foster son.

Polski almanach medyczny 1956, p. 375 (re: also, about wife Alina); Paszkowski, *Cmentarz żydowski*, t. I, p. 238 (re: father). – *Rocznik lekarski 1933/34*, p. 100, 102, 103, 104 (re: also, about wife Alina); *Rocznik lekarski 1948*, p. 482 (re: wife), p. 494; *Urzędowy spis lekarzy 1939*, p. 240 (re: also, about wife Alina); *Verzeichnis*, p. 98. – “Goniec Częstochowski” 1937, No. 279, p. 3. – Materials in the collections of the ODDC.

Juliusz Sętowski, Wiesław Paszkowski