



1997.1.4A
Photograph
Ann Strimboules, Katina Moraitou (is related to)
Cover, Pillow, 1997.1.1
Tablecloth, 1997.1.2
Nightgown, 1997.1.3
Photograph, 1997.1.4.B

OBJECT DESCRIPTION

A black and white photograph of a woman wearing a luxurious fur coat. The picture is from the head of the woman to the chest. She has dark wavy hair which is parted on the side and pulled back. The coat is a medium color and several shades lighter than her hair. The lapel has slightly longer fur than the body of the coat. She has fair skin and dark eyes and is wearing a single strand of pearls and coordinating drop earrings.

ORIGIN

Photograph donated by Ann Strimboules, the picture is of her mother, Katina Moraitou.

Katina Moraitou was born in Tsesme, Turkey in 1889. She was the oldest of eight children. Her father, Nicholas, was a tobacco grower and also worked as an accountant and manager of a larger farm. With the turmoil that was going on in Turkey, the family left and settled in Greece on the island of Chios. The family had lost everything and thus scattered to survive. Her father and youngest brother went to France, while another brother, George, came to America. Katina followed George and worked for a manufacturer as a young girl.

Quotas were limited for immigrants of Katina's background consequently in 1922, her arrivasl was witha passport of a different ethnicity, and name. Her marriage to her husband was aranged in 1924.



Ann was born in Greece in 1930, and was adopted at the age of two months. Her father and her were close friends, and were always surprised when her mother came home and told them some new quest she performed.

CITATION

Photograph, National Hellenic Museum, https://collections.nationalhellenicmuseum.org/Detail/objects/. Accessed 12/19/25.