

that ensued. Both men were buried in their native village of Gegaj.

**Sources:** H. Hasani, *Dëshmorët...*, HLC-25596; J. Martinsen, *List.*, HLC-26092.

### Burim (Zenun) Hamza

(born 18/05/1981, Albanian from Smolicë/Smonica, Gjakovë/Đakovica municipality, farmer, member of KLA)

18-year-old Burim joined the KLA in April 1998, right after the establishment of the KLA headquarters in his village [Smolicë/Smonica]. He took part in numerous KLA actions in the region. Burim was killed on **3 July 1998**, during a Serb shelling of Smolicë/Smonica. One tank shell exploded a short distance from Burim, leaving him seriously injured. His comrades rushed him to the KLA field hospital in Dobrosh/Dobroš, where he died two hours later. Some KLA members buried him later that day in a forest near Smolicë/Smonica. After the war, on 5 September 1999, his remains were transferred to the Cemetery for Fallen Combatants in Smolicë/Smonica.

**Sources:** statement of S.H, HLC-32444; H. Hasani, *Dëshmorët...*, HLC-25596.

### Ibrahim (Rexhep) Zekaj

(born 5/05/1942, Egyptian from Skivjan, Gjakovë/Đakovica municipality, labourer, four children)

Ibrahim worked at the Gjakovë/Đakovica Public Utility Company. He was responsible for the cleanliness of the buildings. On **3 July 1998**, at about 16:00h, he was coming back from work in the company of his cousin Musa Bajrami and a local resident, Nel Shoshi, when Serb police stopped them in the village of **Osek Hilë/Osek Hilja**. Ibrahim was carrying some stale bread for his chickens. The policemen asked him if the bread was for the KLA, to which he replied that the KLA ate fresh bread. The policemen then battered him so badly that he remained lying on the road. Musa and Nel informed his family about what had happened to him. Ibrahim's cousins arrived at the scene shortly afterwards, and took him on a horse-cart to the

Hospital in Gjakovë/Đakovica. There the doctors gave him first aid and, because of the severity of his injuries, referred him to the Hospital in Prishtinë/Priština. He died on 14 July 1998. Doctor Avdyl Shoshi buried him in the Dragodan cemetery in Prishtinë/Priština. After the war, Doctor Shoshi showed Ibrahim's family the spot where he had buried Ibrahim, but they only found an empty grave - the body had been removed. Ibrahim's body has not been found to date.

**Sources:** statement of M.Z, HLC-40626; J. Osmani, *Krimet...*, I, 306.

### Kujtim (Binak) Imeraj

(born 8/03/1980, Egyptian from Palabardhë/Palja Barda, Gjakovë/Đakovica municipality, unemployed)

Kujtim lived with his family in the village of Palabardhë/Palja Barda. In the spring of 1998, Kujtim moved with two relatives to the village of **Novosellë e Posthme/Donje Novo Selo**. At that point, Serb forces began entering Palabardhë/Palja Barda. On **4 July 1998**, around noon, Kujtim went to buy cigarettes, when he was intercepted in the street by a group of Albanian - speaking armed men, one of them in a black uniform, coming from the direction of Dujakë/Dujak and Glllogjan/Glodane. They were looking for Kujtim's father Binak. They pushed Kujtim with their rifle butts into a car and drove him in the direction of Dujakë/Dujak and Glllogjan/Glodane. For a long time, Kujtim's family did not know anything about his subsequent fate. It was only on 17 July 2007 that Kujtim's mortal remains were handed over to his family. They had been discovered in mid-September 1998 near the *Liqeni i Radoniqit/Radonjičko jezero (Radoniq Lake)*, and subsequently buried in the village of Piskotë/Piskot. The family re-buried Kujtim at the Jasikovac cemetery in Berane [Montenegro].

**Sources:** statement of N.I, HLC-18680; statement of D.I, HLC-4579; ICTY, IT-04-84 (R. Haradinaj et al.), judgment, 03.04.2008, [http://www.hlc-rdc.org/index.php?lid=sr&show=PravdaIReforma&int\\_cid=124&cat=Transkripti/Predmet-Haradinaj-i-drugi\(-IT-04-84-\);](http://www.hlc-rdc.org/index.php?lid=sr&show=PravdaIReforma&int_cid=124&cat=Transkripti/Predmet-Haradinaj-i-drugi(-IT-04-84-);)