

Isuf work worked for 30 years as a maths teacher in primary schools in Ponoshec/Ponoševac and Berjah. In April 1998, he joined the KLA as an operations officer. He died on **2 August 1998** in clashes with Serb forces in his native village of **Stubëll/Stubla**. Members of Serb forces buried his body at the Gjakovë/Đakovica cemetery. After the war, on 5 September 1999, Isuf's remains were transferred to the cemetery in Stubëll/Stubla.

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

Arif (Adem) Kasumaj

(born 10/05/1916, Albanian from Jabllanicë/Jablanica, Gjakovë/Đakovica municipality, seven children)

Sejdi (Adem) Kasumaj

(born 10/02/1922, Albanian from Jabllanicë/Jablanica, Gjakovë/Đakovica municipality, one child)

Serb forces shelled Jabllanicë/Jablanica on 2 August 1998. There were clashes that day between the KLA and Serb forces. The next day [**3 August 1998**], the shooting resumed. Arif and Sejdi were in their field [**Jabllanicë/Jablanica**]. After the shelling had stopped, they headed home. They had not gone very far before being shot at from a distance. Their bodies were found the next day by some KLA members. Both men were buried in the cemetery of the Kasumaj family neighbourhood. Their mortal remains were transferred after the war to the Cemetery for Fallen Combatants and War Victims in Jabllanicë/Jablanica.

Sources: statement of D.K, HLC-40624; J. Osmani, *Krimet...*, I, 296.

Dalibor (Stojan) Dimov

(born 23/01/1976, Roma from Pirot, one child, contract soldier of VJ)

Dalibor worked as a tile and parquetry worker at the *Progres* factory in Pirot. He completed his mandatory military service in 1995 in Kikinda. In 1996, he became a contract soldier and was deployed to the *Visočka ržana* border outpost in Pirot. In July 1998, he was transferred to the *Kosha-*

re/Košare border outpost in Kosovo. On **4 August 1998**, the KLA fired a mortar shell at the *pinzgauer* vehicle he was driving. Dalibor sustained a serious neck injury accompanied by severe bleeding. His fellow VJ soldiers rushed him to the hospital in Prishtinë/Priština. Later that day, he was transferred to Niš and then to the Belgrade Military Medical Academy (VMA), where he died of his injuries. His family recovered his body on 6 August 1998 and buried it later that day at the Pirot cemetery.

Sources: statement of V.K, HLC-24726; SV SRJ, *Junaci otadžbine*, 23; KMC AFRY, *Persons died...*, HLC-10832; GSM DTC, *List...*, HLC-8817.

Velimir (Nikodin) Knežević

(born 10/05/1923, Montenegrin from Hereç/Ereč, Gjakovë/Đakovica municipality, fruit producer)

On the morning of **5 August 1998**, Velimir set off on foot to see a doctor in Gjakovë/Đakovica and never came back. His body was found the following day some 200 metres from his home, in a canal by the main road connecting Dečan/Dečane and Gjakovë/Đakovica [**Hereç/Ereč**]. His wife informed the police [SUP in Gjakovë/Đakovica] accordingly, and the police conducted an on-site investigation. Velimir was buried on 7 August 1998 at the village cemetery in Piskotë/Piskot. The District Court in Leskovac [Serbia] sentenced an Albanian to seven years in prison for aiding and abetting the murder of Velimir [his identity is known to the HLC].

Sources: statement of R.K, HLC-9189; Leskovac District Court, K.br. 67/99 (Sinaj Musa), judgment, 25.11.1999, HLC-27721; GSM DTC, *List...*, HLC-8817; SMIP, *Teroristički...*, III, 906; KMC AFRY, *Persons died...*, HLC-10832; *Dnevnik od 5. do 9. avgusta*, Ilustrovana politika, HLC-31289.

Adem (Sadik) Brahimaj

(born 1918, Albanian from Kralan/Kraljane, Gjakovë/Đakovica municipality, eight children)

On **5 August 1998**, around 10:00h, Serb police entered Kralan/Kraljane and began torching the houses. Adem's wife Kaje, his