

cemetery. Teuta's mother was taken to the hospital, first to Irznić/Rznić, then to Pejë/Peć, and eventually to Belgrade. Teuta's father went to Albania and grandmother Ajshe disappeared. Upon returning to the village in September 1998, some cousins discovered the burned body of Ajshe Loshaj. On 15 October 2000, after the war was over, Teuta and Ajshe's mortal remains were buried by their family members in the Carrabreg i Epërm/ Gornji Crnobreg cemetery.

Sources: statement of H.L, HLC-17900; statement of A.N, HLC-12188; statement of NN, HLC-12201; KMDLNJ, *Buletini*, no. 7, prill-qershor 1998, 183, 207, HLC-23816; statement of V.N, HLC-12144; statement of N.N, HLC-12143.

Shaqir (Kingj) Dobraj

(born 13/08/1906, Albanian from Carrabreg i Epërm/Gornji Crnobreg, Deçan/Deçani municipality, pensioner, five children)

Before retiring, Shaqir worked as a warehouseman at a hotel in Deçan/Deçane. He lost his life on **29 May 1998** in front of his home during a shelling attack by Serb forces on **Carrabreg i Epërm/Gornji Crnobreg**. He was hit by a bullet near his house as he was coming back from his cousin Avni Dobraj's house, which stood some 10-15 metres away from his. His body remained lying on the road until 1 July 1998, when some KLA fighters, including Shaqir's cousin Haki, managed to get into the village. They buried Shaqir in the Bajram Bozhdaraj's garden. In September 1998, Shaqir's cousins re-buried him in the village cemetery.

Sources: statement of A.D, HLC-17898; statement of S.D, HLC-12203; KMDLNJ, *Buletini*, no. 7, prill-qershor 1998, 183, HLC-23816; statement of NN, HLC-12145; statement of A.N, HLC-12188; statement of NN, HLC-12201.

Muharrem (Rrustem) Lataj

(born 3/10/1976, Albanian from Carrabreg i Epërm/Gornji Crnobreg, Deçan/Deçani municipality, member of KLA)

Muharrem joined the KLA in early

May 1998. His main duty was to defend **Carrabreg i Epërm/Gornji Crnobreg**. He kept guard at night. On two occasions he went with his KLA comrades to Albania to get weapons. In the early morning hours of **29 May 1998**, Muharrem went to the position *Kodra e Loshit*, from which KLA defended the village. From that day, Muharrem's family had no information about his fate. In September of the same year, Muharrem's family found his body near the place called *Kodra e Loshit*, the main point of defence of the village. They identified Muharrem by the jaw and clothes. They buried him in the village cemetery.

Sources: statement of R.L, HLC-29223; statement of N.N, HLC-12145; J. Martinsen, *List.*, HLC-26092.

Nife (Asllan Hajdaraj) Balaj

(born 1925, Albanian woman from Carrabreg i Epërm/Gornji Crnobreg, Deçan/Deçani municipality, one child)

Nife lived in **Carrabreg i Epërm/Gornji Crnobreg** but often stayed with her daughter in Deçan/Deçane. She was disabled. She came to the village with her daughter Have on 28 May 1998, and stayed in her house after villagers had fled their homes on **29 May 1998**. The following day, Have attempted to return to the village to get her mother but that turned out to be impossible. In October 1998, some cousins who came to Montenegro, where Have also head fled for refuge, told Have that her mother had been killed and that her body was found in her house by the villagers who had returned to the village in September 1998 after the withdrawal of Serb forces. The villagers buried the old woman in the local cemetery.

Source: statement of I.H, HLC-17901.

Arif (Bajram) Mahmutdemaj

(born 6/03/1952, Albanian from Strelc i Epërm/Gornji Streoc, Deçan/Deçani municipality, four children, member of KLA)

Arif joined the KLA on 24 March 1998. He was killed on **29 May 1998** in fighting between the KLA and Serb forces