

Kroimirë/Krajmirovce first saw clashes between Serb forces and the KLA in July 1998. The Serb forces repeatedly shelled **Kroimirë/Krajmirovce** from Zborc/Zborce [Shtime/Štimlje municipality]. On **26 July 1998**, at around 08:00h, Serb forces launched another shell attack on Kroimirë/Krajmirovce. Aferdita, her father, brother and a few neighbours were in Aferdita's parents' yard at the time. As Aferdita headed for the house of her uncle, who lived in the vicinity, a grenade landed near her, leaving her severely wounded. Other people, including her father, brother and cousin, were also wounded. The cousins put Aferdita into a car to take her to the hospital in the neighbouring village of Pjetërshticë/Petraštica. Aferdita died on the way to the hospital. Her family buried her the next day in the gorge near Kroimirë/Krajmirovce. Aferdita's mortal remains were transferred to the village cemetery in Kroimirë/Krajmirovce in 2004.

Sources: statement of H.Q, HLC-11614; photography, HLC-36626.

Haxhi (Avdush) Korpuzi

(born 26/12/1950, Albanian from Shalë/Sedlare, Lipjan/Lipljan municipality, miner, five children)

On 26 July 1998, Serb forces started shelling Shalë/Sedlare from the village of Zborc/Zborce [Shtime/Štimlje municipality]. Haxhi's family, along with other local residents, fled to a forest close by, near *Kroni i Javorit/Javorov izvor (Maple Springs)* whilst Haxhi remained at home. When Serb forces resumed shelling of the village on the morning of **29 July 1998**, Haxhi left his home and headed towards the field called *Loxha e Danaviteve [Sedlare/Shalë]*. When he came near the field, a shell went off in his vicinity and killed him. Haxhi was buried the same night, at around 23:00h, after the shelling had stopped, in the cemetery in Shalë/Sedlare.

Source: statement of Xh.K, HLC-11618.

Arif (Nezir) Zeneli

(born 15/04/1947, Albanian from Mirenë/Mirena, Lipjan/Lipljan municipality, miner, five children)

Zadë (Enver) Zeneli

(born 10/06/1987, Albanian woman from Mirenë/Mirena, Lipjan/Lipljan municipality)

Elmie (Enver) Zeneli

(born 12/08/1989, Albanian woman from Mirenë/Mirena, Lipjan/Lipljan municipality)

On **12 August 1998**, at about 08:00h, Serb forces started shelling **Mirenë/Mirena** from Mount *Golesh/Goleš*. The villagers ran towards the Primary School. Arif, his family and his brother Izet's family left their home and joined the other villagers. When they reached the school, a grenade landed near Zadë, Izet's grand-daughter, followed by another one which hit Izet's other grand-daughter, Elmie. Both girls died instantly. A few moments later, another grenade exploded, leaving Arif and nine other villagers severely injured. Arif's family and the other villagers ran through the woods to the village of Bajicë/Banjica, for fear of their lives. Arif's father, two cousins and a fellow villager returned at night to Mirenë/Mirena for Arif and the bodies of the two girls who had been killed. They took the bodies to the woods near the village of Bajicë/Banjica. Zadë and Elmie were buried in the early morning of 13 August 1999 in the cemetery in Bajicë/Banjica. A month later, Arif succumbed to his injuries. His family buried him in the woods near the village of Kleçkë/Klečka. In September 2000, the bodies of Zadë and Elmie were exhumed. On 27 September 2000, their family re-interred their mortal remains in the cemetery in their native village. Arif's body was transferred to the cemetery in Mirenë/Mirena in October 2000.

Source: statement of I.Z, HLC-11392.

Rrahim (Brahim) Vesiqi

(born 2/02/1944, Albanian from Ribar i Madh/Veliko Ribare, Lipjan/Lipljan municipality, security guard, one child)

On the night of **12 August 1998**, at around