

Mining Complex until retirement. He lived with his sons Mehmet and Jetullah and their wives and children in Vidishiq/Vidušić until 1998, when he went to live with Jetullah's family. On 15 September 1998, Serb forces surrounded Vidishiq/Vidušić, so Jetullah and his family left the village along with other local residents. Januz and several other elderly villagers stayed in the village [Vidishiq/Vidušić] and hid in a KLA bunker shelter near Jetullah's house. Januz's body was found by KLA soldiers on **16 September 1998** not far from Jetullah's house, after the withdrawal of Serb forces. They buried him the next day in the village cemetery, leaving a wooden grave marker with his name on it by his grave. Januz still rests there.

Source: statement of J.S, HLC-17409.

Bahrije (Asllan) Nuha

(born 1968, Albanian woman from Melenicë/Meljenica, Mitrovicë/Kosovska Mitrovica municipality)

Bahrije was paralysed and suffered from a speech impediment. On 15 September 1998, Serb forces surrounded her village and the local residents, including Bahrije and her parents, fled to Zabërgjë/Zabrde. The next day, **16 September 1998**, Bahrije's family went to the neighbouring village of Dedi/Dedinje, leaving Bahrije behind with a local resident, Sokol, who had two paralysed daughters himself. Soon after the civilians had left the village, Bahrije's uncle Enver came to **Zabërgjë/Zabrde**. In Sokol's house he found Bahrije alone. As Serb forces drew near, Enver carried Bahrije out of the house and managed to take her to a forest. Bahrije became terrified and started screaming. As Serb forces moved towards the forest, Enver left Bahrije and started running. A few days later, Enver returned to Zabërgjë/Zabrde. There he learned that the imam and a KLA soldier had found Bahrije's desecrated body in the forest, and buried her on 20 September 1998 in the cemetery in Zabërgjë/Zabrde.

Sources: statement of E.N, HLC-29927; KMDLNJ, *Buletini*, no. 10, october-december 1998, 122, HLC-8207; *Albanian Women, Missing since Serb Offensive on Her Village*,

Found Dead, newsletter, KIC, 05.10.1998, HLC-29724.

Sadullah (Selman) Dibrani

(born 25/10/1951, Albanian from Vaganicë/Vaganica, Mitrovicë/Kosovska Mitrovica municipality, construction millwright, 10 children, member of KLA)

Avni (Jetullah) Dibrani

(born 14/02/1977, Albanian from Vaganicë/Vaganica, Mitrovicë/Kosovska Mitrovica municipality, construction worker, member of KLA)

Before the war, Sadullah had worked as a construction millwright. Sadullah's brother Jetullah and his family lived near Sadullah. Jetullah's oldest son Avni, who had lived and worked in Germany, returned to Kosovo in late December 1997. In June 1998, Avni, his father and uncle joined the KLA. On the early morning of **22 September 1998**, Serb forces began shelling Vaganicë/Vaganica. The civilians left the village leaving behind some KLA soldiers. At around 08:00h Serb forces moved into the village. Sadullah and Avni were at their position in a forest, from where they moved to the forest belonging to the village of **Vërbnicë/Vrbnica**. Later that day, Serb forces moved on towards the village of Oshlan/Ošljane, so Jetullah went in search of his brother and son. In the *Zmiç/Zmiç* forest, near Vërbnicë/Vrbnica, he found their bodies with bullet wounds to their chests. He buried them the next day in the cemetery in Vaganicë/Vaganica. After the war, in July 2000, Sadullah's and Avni's mortal remains were transferred to the Cemetery for Fallen Combatants in Shipol/Šipolje.

Sources: statement of J.D, HLC-33481; J. Martinsen, *List.*, HLC-26092.

Bahri (Smajl) Veseli

(born 25/02/1962, Albanian from Braboniq/Brabonjiç, Mitrovicë/Kosovska Mitrovica municipality, locksmith, six children)

On 20 September 1998, Bahri set off on foot to visit his sister Mihane, who lived in the village of Vërbnicë/Vrbnica near Mitrovicë/Kosovska Mitrovica. He was absent for the next few days. His family did