

Mustafë (Isuf) Lajqi

(born 4/07/1939, Albanian from Shtupeq i Vogël/Mali Štupelj, Pejë/Peć municipality, labourer, seven children)

Dude (Isuf) Lajqi

(born 15/07/1943, Albanian woman from Shtupeq i Vogël/Mali Štupelj, Pejë/Peć municipality, single, housewife)

Mustafë worked as a labourer on the maintenance of the road leading to Rogovë/Rogovo. He lived with his family and his sister Dude, who was not married. On the early morning of **24 August 1998**, Serb forces entered the neighbouring village of Shtupeq i Madh/Veliki Štupelj. As a result, the local residents of **Shtupeq i Vogël/Mali Štupelj** started leaving their homes. Mustafë, nevertheless, went to work at about 07:00h as usual. Half an hour later, his family heard shots being fired. Dude immediately went in search of her brother, but failed to return. The rest of the family left the village in the meanwhile. They knew nothing about Mustafë's and Dude's fate for a long time. In late October 1998, the family, while in exile, heard through TV Albania that their bodies had been located. Later on, a local resident, Haxhi Beqiraj, told the Lajqis that it was he who had found the bodies at the place known as *Llaz i Kolës/Koljin kanal (Kolës Canal)* in the wood. They returned to the village the following day and found Mustafë's and Dude's mortal remains, and buried them near the place where they were killed.

Sources: statement of I.L., HLC-8943; statement of A.L., HLC-19268; KMDLNJ, *Buletini*, nr. 9, tetor-dhjetor 1998, 154, HLC-23857; J. Martinsen, *List...*, HLC-26092; *Brother and Sister, Gone Missing Two Months Ago, Found Dead in Peja Area*, newsletter, KIC, 28/10/1998, HLC-29781.

Esat (Ibrahim) Bërlajolli

(born 25/08/1971, Albanian from Pejë/Peć, labourer, member of KLA)

As Esat's father was a severely disabled man, Esat provided for his family by working as a labourer. He joined the KLA in May 1998. He was initially with the KLA local headquarters in Gillogjan/Glodane, to be transferred later

to the *Rugova* unit. Esat was killed on **27 August 1998** fighting against Serb forces in the village of **Drelaj/Drelje**. He was buried in the cemetery in Drelaj/Drelje.

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

Ramë (Haxhi) Krasniqi

(born 1942, Albanian from Turjakë/Turjak, Pejë/Peć municipality)

Ramë suffered from poor health. He had never married. He lived with the family of his younger brother Bajram in the village of Turjakë/Turjak. On **9 September 1998**, Serb forces approached this village, prompting the village residents to start fleeing. Bajram and his family went to Isniq/Istinić [Deçan/Deçani municipality] and Ramë headed for Dubovikë/Dubovik [Deçan/Deçani municipality]. After a few days the situation calmed down, so Bajram and his family made their way back to Turjakë/Turjak. Passing through **Krushec/Kruševac**, Bajram and his cousin Rasim Krasniqi found Ramë's body near the house of Isa Qerreti. He had gunshot wounds in the chest and his throat had been slit. With the permission of the police, Bajram buried Ramë on 15 September 1998 in the cemetery in Turjakë/Turjak.

Sources: statement of B.K., HLC-19267; ICTY, IT-02-54 (S. Milošević), Ex.298.1.4, HLC-30924; J. Osmani, *Krimet...*, 71.

Sadri (Hajdar) Vishaj

(born 31/05/1970, Albanian from Beleg, Deçan/Deçani municipality, two children, member of KLA)

Xhevat (Muharrem) Sejfiqaj

(born 8/05/1972, Albanian from Gillogjan/Glodane, Deçan/Deçani municipality, farmer, single, member of KLA)

Shpetim (Sahit) Bobi

(born 21/06/1974, Albanian from Lubeniç/Ljubenić, Pejë/Peć municipality, unemployed, single, member of KLA)

On an undetermined date in early September 1998, Shpetim, Sadri and Xhevat were tasked with going to the Montenegrin border and helping the