

Izair (Mustafë) Berisha

(born 18/02/1932, Albanian from Lez, Prizren municipality, pensioner, six children, member of KLA)

Hasim (Sahit) Berisha

(born 8/12/1957, Albanian from Lez, Prizren municipality, employed in education, four children, member of KLA)

Alajdin (Muhamet) Berisha

(born 7/10/1964, Albanian from Lez, Prizren municipality, shopkeeper, three children, member of KLA)

Naip (Garip) Berisha

(born 4/01/1973, Albanian from Lez, Prizren municipality, unmarried, student, member of KLA)

Ibrahim (Mursel) Osmanaj

(born 18/09/1977, Albanian from Lez, Prizren municipality, shoemaker, three children, member of KLA)

Alajdin, Asllan, Izair, Hasim, Naip and Ibrahim, all from Lez, were in the KLA and attached to the Staff HQ at **Lez**. On the morning of **1 September 1998**, they were manning the position known as *Livdahet te Lavdice*. All six were killed in battles with the Yugoslav Army and Serb police. Serb forces took the bodies of Ibrahim, Alajdin and Naip to the morgue of the hospital in Prizren, whilst the bodies of Asllan, Hasim and Izair were found when the Serb forces had withdrawn, and were then buried in the village. On 4 September 1998, their families identified Ibrahim, Alajdin and Naip, but were not allowed to attend the burial. Workers of the communal services buried them at the city cemetery in Prizren. After the war, on 15 September 1999, the mortal remains of Ibrahim, Hasim, Naip and Izair were removed to the Cemetery for Fallen Combatants in Landovicë/Landovica, and on 14 November 1999, the mortal remains of Alajdin and Asllan were taken to the cemetery in Lez.

Sources: statement of L.B, HLC-8607; statement of S.B, HLC-8608; statement of M.O, HLC-9232; statement of R.B, HLC-2303; statement of H.B, HLC-2304; statement of F.B, HLC-20597; statement of S.B, HLC-20599; J. Martinsen, *List.*, HLC-26092; *Heavy Explosions, Shooting in Tusus Suburbs of Prizren*,

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Shefqet (Myrtezan) Berisha

(born 6/09/1953, Albanian from Lez, Prizren municipality, shopkeeper, four children, member of KLA)

Xhevat (Ahmet) Berisha

(born 30/08/1961, Albanian from Prizren, employed in education, four children, member of KLA)

In September 1997, Xhevat was one of the organisers of the KLA in Prizren. Before that he had been frequently arrested by the Serb authorities because of his political activities. His uncle Shefqet joined the KLA in late 1997. During an attack by the Yugoslav Army and Serb police on Lez on **1 September 1998**, Xhevat and Shefqet set off at about 08:30h in a *Lada* car for the KLA positions at a place known as *Livdahet te Lavdice [Lez]*. They were killed at about 17:00h in an exchange of fire. Serb forces took Xhevat's body to Prizren Hospital, and on 4 September 1998, communal services workers buried him with other dead KLA soldiers at the cemetery in Prizren. After the war, on 15 September 1999, his mortal remains were removed to the Cemetery for Fallen Combatants in Landovicë/Landovica. Shefqet's body was found in August 1999, near the spot where he and Xhevat had died. His family laid Shefqet's body to rest at the cemetery in his native village in September 1999.

Sources: statement of M.B, HLC-20598; statement of L.B, HLC-8607; statement of S.B, HLC-8608; statement of M.O, HLC-9232; statement of R.B, HLC-2303; statement of H.B, HLC-2304; J. Martinsen, *List.*, HLC-26092; SHFDUÇK, *Feniksët...3*, 151-154; SIA, *Pas-*