## **International Jewish Cemetery Project**

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KAMENNIY BROD I: US Commission No. UA05070101

Alternate names: Kamennyy Brod (German), Kameny Brod (Hungarian) and Kammeny Brod (Czech). Kamenniy Brod is located in Zhitomirskaya at 50°28 28°57, 124 km from Zhitomir, 23 km from Baranovka, 28 km from Novograd-Volinskiy, 110 km from Zhitomir and 114 km from Kiev. Present town population is 1,000-5,000 with fewer than 10 Jews. --Town officials: Budnitskiy Semen of Kamenniy Brod.

The earliest known Jewish community was 1897. Effecting Jewish Community: 1919 pogrom. The Jewish cemetery was established in 1919 with last known Hasidic burial 1993. Dovbish (15 km away) used this unlandmarked cemetery. The isolated flat land and "other" has no sign or marker. Reached by "other," access is open to all. A continuous fence with gate that locks surrounds site. 101 to 500 stones, all in original location with less than 25% of surviving stones toppled or broken, date from 1919. Location of any removed tombstones is unknown. The cemetery has special sections for men and women. Some tombstones have portraits on stones, and/or metal fences around graves. The cemetery contains marked mass graves. The property is used for Jewish cemetery only. Adjacent properties are residential. The cemetery boundaries are unchanged since 1939. Rarely, local residents visit. The cemetery was not vandalized in the last ten years. Local/municipal authorities patched broken stones, cleaned stones and cleared vegetation 1970s. Now, occasionally, individuals clean or clear. Within the limits of the cemetery are no structures. Slight threat: uncontrolled access, weather erosion, pollution, vegetation, vandalism and proposed nearby development.

Kogan Leonid of Novograd-Volynskiy, Lenina Street 107, Apt. 42 [Phone: 54239] visited site on 6/27/94. Interviewed were Budnitskiy Semen on 6/27/94. Kogan completed survey on 06/28/1994.

## KAMENNY BROD II: US Commission No. UA05070502

The mass grave is located at 1.5 km to Northeast from Kamenny Brod, in the pine forest. --Town officials: Village Executive Council of Chairman-Eysmont Vitaliy [Phone: (04144) 42526].b --Regional: Protection of Cultural Memorial Society -Borisyuk N.E. Regional Protection of Cultural Memorial Society -Savchuk Vladimir Terentyevich. --Others: Main editor of newspaper 'Slovo Polissya' -Strilchuk Anatoliy Pavlovich [Phone: (04144) 42376].

1926 Jewish population was 1017. The unlandmarked, Hasidic mass grave was dug in 1941.No Jews from other towns or villages were murdered here. The isolated wooded flat land has no sign or marker. Reached by crossing other public pine forest, access is open to all. No wall, fence, or gate surrounds the mass grave. No stones are visible or were removed. The mass grave has no special sections but contains unmarked mass graves. The municipality owns the property used for agriculture (crops or animal grazing) and mass burial site. Adjacent properties are agricultural. The mass grave boundaries is larger now than 1939. This mass grave has not been vandalized. There is no maintenance. Within the limits of the mass grave are no structures. Vegetation overgrowth is a seasonal problem, preventing access.

Kogan Leonid of Novograd-Volynskiy, Lenina Street 107, Apt. 42 [Phone: (04141) 54259] visited site and completed survey on 29/07/1996. Interviewed on 12/7/96 were Strilchuk Anatoliy Pavlovich of Baranovka, Kirova Street, 7a [Phone: (04144) 42376] and Oleksyuk. Documentation: Strilchuk A.P. Newspaper "Slovo Polissya"; Baranovka, Kirova Street, 7a. Other documentation exists but was inaccessible.

## KAMENNY BROD III: US Commission No. UA05070501

The mass grave is located at northeast, 500m from faience factory. The unlandmarked, Hasidic mass grave was dug in 1941.No Jews from other towns or villages were murdered here. The isolated suburban site by water has signs or plaques in local language mentioning the Holocaust. Reached by crossing Zovtnevaya Street, access is open to all. A continuous fence with no gate surrounds site. 1 to 20 stones, all in original location with none toppled or broken and no stones removed, date from 1950. Some tombstones have traces of painting on their surfaces and/or metal fences around graves. The site contains marked mass graves. The municipality owns the property. Adjacent properties are pond and waste dump. The mass grave boundaries is larger now than 1939. Local residents visit rarely. This mass grave has not been vandalized. Local/municipal authorities did re-erection of stones, cleared vegetation and fixed wall in 1950. Now, authorities occasionally clean or clear site. Within the limits of the mass grave are no structures. Moderate threat: uncontrolled access, weather erosion and vandalism. Slight threat: pollution, vegetation and proposed nearby development.

Kogan Leonid of Novograd-Volynskiy, Lenina Street 107, Apt. 42 [Phone: (04141) 54259] visited site on 1/5/96. Interviewed were Baru Ruhlya Niselevna of Kamenyy Brod on 1/5/96. Zhitomirskaya Oblast of Novograd-Volynskiy, Lenina Street 107, Apt. 42 [Phone: (04141) 54259] completed survey on 01/05/1996. Documentation: Veytsblit I.I. Movement of Jewish People in Ukraine. Period 1897-1926.



The Valley of the Communities in Yad Vashem: Kamenny Brod

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