

## Aron Pizman's Father Isaac Pizman's Grave



My father's grave in Baturino village Rzhev district Kalinin region. This photo was taken in Baturino village in 1988.

My father was recruited to the army on the first days of the WWII. He had to go and before leaving my father said to mama: 'Take care of the children and try to take them as far as you can from the town'. But we could not leave Mogilyov-Podolskiy and have remained in our house. On the august 1941 our retreating troops came into the village. My father was with them. He stayed that night with us and we all stayed awake talking with him. My father left with his unit shortly before dawn. This was the last time we saw him. In 1944, after liberation of Mogilyov-Podolskiy, we received a notification from the military registry office. It said that my father perished on 6 August 1942 near Semyonovskaya village Rzhev district Kalinin region and that his grave was in Bakhmutovo village: the local residents buried the deceased after the battle.

Sometimes my wife and I and later our sons joined us to go to Bakhmutovo village where my father was buried. We installed a gravestone on his grave. The villagers take care of the graves - they are good people. They keep the area in order and plant flowers.