Kishinev Cemetery - Doyna (St. Lazar)

Address: 189 Doyna Street MD 2001, Kishinev Republic of Moldova Telephone: 47.069479, 28.831193 Public Transportation: microbus: 127, 162, 134, 132 bus: 27, 28

The **Doyna Cemetery** – this is how residents of Kishinev know that place. The official name is Saint Lazarus Cemetery. It is located in north-east part of Kishinev in the neighborhood of "Staraya Pochta" (Old Post office) in the region of Ryshkan or Ryshkanovka. From the west it is bordered with a park ("Valia Gyshtilor"). This is one of the largest cemeteries in East Europe, size of 200 hectares. This is a town cemetery. Most of Kishinev residents are buried now at Doyna. . Entry is only through the main gate, and people can go and walk through the old entrance.

Cemetery is divided into quarters. Jews have 21 quarters at the cemetery from total of 268 quarters (as of end of 2013). Some Jewish graves are located in "mixed" quarters. Total number of Jewish graves is about 11 thousand.



Main gates

Announcement at the right side of the gate in Romanian and Russian says: "People who have burials of their relatives at the cemetery must pay annual fee for the cemetery maintenance in 2013 of 120 ley (\$10).

General information and the photos were donated to the Bessarabia SIG by Pavel Tuev, who is a head of a company providing care for the burial places in Kishinev and Orgeev. <u>www.pavetex.md</u>, skype: pavel.tuev, phone: (+373 22) 768 578; email: <u>pavel.tuev@gmail.com</u>.

Thank you to Pavel Tuev!



Jewish Quarters were opened at the cemetery in 1977, on May 5. Below is the sign on the first Jewish grave at the cemetery (in Russian):

1977, May 5 opened Jewish Quarters at the cemetery "Doyna"

SMOLYAK, A.M. ZELTSER, M, Ya.

The grounds of the cemetery are well landscaped, one-and two-lane asphalt road, quarterly poles, industrial water tanks. At the main entrance is the administration block of the cemetery. Here you can get information note, order and pay for services.





Map of the Cemetery "Saint Lazar" on Doyna

There are three 'categories' of burials:

First category - in red (probably the 'best', central sites)

Second category - in white

Jewish category - in blue

First Project of indexing at the Doyna Cemetery (December of 2013):

Number of Records indexed -3227

The burial dates are from 1982-1988

The registry pages were donated to Bessarabia SIG by Arkadiy Verzub (native of Beltsy, Moldova).

Records were translated by Terry Lasky, second reading by Yefim Kogan.

Second project (by summer of 2014) will include burial dates from 1979-1982 (about 1600 records)

Yefim Kogan Bessarabia SIG Coordinator

See also information about the cemetery in Russian at http://www.14888.md/ru/page/cemetery-sfant-lazar







