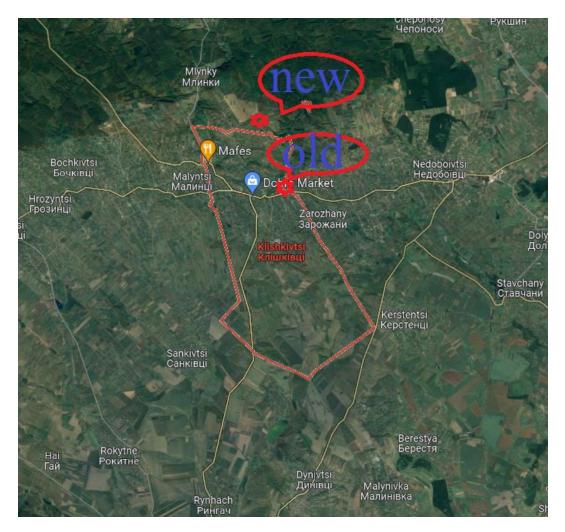
# The Old Jewish Cemetery of Klishkivtsi

Before 1917 Klishkivtsi was part of the Khotin Uezd, Bessarabia gubernia of the Russian Empire. Now it is part of the Czernovits oblast, Ukraine.

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#### Introduction

The project was started by JewishGen, Bessarabia SIG in 2022. Eleven years ago I found out for the first time about Klishkivtsi from **Aizic Sechter** (*z*"l). He was in this place, made photos of some of the tombstones, but unfortunately died this year and did see the end of this project. **Harriet Kasow** also visited Klishkivtsi and shared many photos of this and other places on her tour in Ukraine. Two Jewish cemeteries in Klishkivtsi were on our list of cemeteries to visit and fully photographed, but because of the location it was hard to accomplish. Only in 2022 I asked genealogist and friend **Anna Royzner**, who lives in Dunaevtsi, Ukraine to photograph all remaining tombstones in old and new Jewish cemeteries and she did it. Thanks a lot, to **Anna, Harriet and Aizic.** 

#### Other names of Klishkivtsi

Klishkivtsi [Ukr], Klishkovtsy [Rus], Clişcăuți [Rom], Klushkevitz [Yid], Klischkiwzi [Ger], Kliszkowce [Pol], Klishkovitz, Klischkowcy, Kliskovci, Klishkutz, Klishkoutsy

### Location, Maps

Google map of the Klishkivtsi region. 24 miles to Chernitsi, 16 miles to Khotin, 16 miles to Novoselitsa, 37 miles to Lipkany, Moldova, 43 miles to Briceni, Moldova, 32 miles to Kamenets-Podolskiy



#### History, Jewish Population and more

1,000 Jews lived in Klishkivtsi in 1897 from a total population of 7,707. In 1924 there were 51 Jewish businesses for a total population in the town of 12,500.

452 Jews from a total of 7,184 lived in Klishkivtsi in 1930. The Jewish community was founded around the late of 17 century.

**Harriet Kasow** with help of **Aizic Sechte** (z"l) created wonderful Klishkivtsi KehilaLinks website <u>https://kehilalinks.jewishgen.org/Klishkivtsi/</u>.

Here is also a link to 2011 document from **Aizic Sechte** (z"l): <u>www.jewishgen.org/bessarabia/files/cemetery/Klishkivtsi/KlishkivtsiCemeteryProj</u> <u>ectFromAizic.pdf</u>

The website and document has a lot of information on History of the area, Jewish presence, Holocaust, Family stories, photos.



Former Klishkivtsi synagogue, 2014, from https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Klishkivtsi

#### Photographing, indexing project, Volunteers

Project was done from August, 2022- March of 2023. We used all photos from **Anna Royzner**, and some photos from **Harriet Kasow**. We have only **77** gravestones photographed, and from that only in **18** inscription we were able to read the names. All photos were translated and deciphered by **Nathan Gabriel**.

Language of the inscriptions: all writings are in Hebrew.

Dates: The inscription we were able to read were from 1867 to 1895.

**58** graves are Unknown – no names and can be viewed at Bessarabia SIG website at <u>Unknown</u> Graves at Klishkivtsi Old cemetery.



Pile of stones at the cemetery.

**Anna Royzner** were kind to record a three-minute clip while working at the cemetery.

Please click on the image on the left to see the video clip.



There are no fence and gates at the cemetery. This is an entrance and exit from the cemetery. It is close to the road Klishkivtsi – Khotin.

Klishkivtsi is on the left side.



## **Oldest graves**



Basya bat Meir

13<sup>th</sup> Adar I, 5635

(18 February 1875)

Older stone from 21 September, 1867, but there is no name. Stone is broken.



# Images from the cemetery



What's a great carving!



Few Hebrew letters could be seen on this stone.