

The Jewish Cemetery of Jewish Agricultural colony Zguritsa

Before 1917 **Zguritsa** was part of the Bessarabia gubernia of the Russian Empire. Now it is part of the Republic of Moldova.

Еврейское Кладбище Колонии Згурица, Молдова

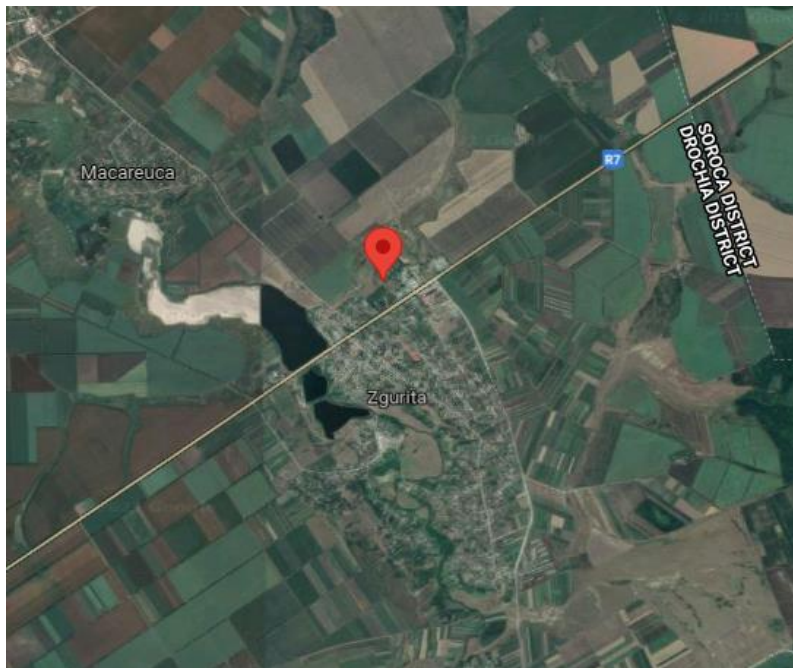
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The photographs were taken by **Serghey Daniliuk**.

Address: **Not far from Road R7 intersection with 77.**

Coordinates: **48°08'00.3"N 28°00'26.6"E**



Jewish Cemetery of Zguritsa on the Google Map

1,802 Jews lived in Zguritsa in 1897 from a total population of 2,107. 102 Jewish businesses are found in the Business Directory of 1923-24 with total population of 5,220. 2,541 Jews lived in Zguritsa in 1930 from total population of 3,028.

Read more about Zguritsa at <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Zguri%C8%9Ba>



Zguritsa on the Google map of Moldova. See close by to the East – Sorocea, to the South – Balti, to the North Mogilev-Podolskiy

According to the report “[Jewish Heritage Sites and Monuments in Moldova](#)”, created by the United States Commission for the Preservation of America’s Heritage Abroad, 2010:

No longer in use, this 2,000 square meter cemetery is surrounded by bushes and trees. It contains more than 1,000 gravestones, some dating from the 18th century. Almost threequarters of the stones are toppled or broken. The cemetery does not have a regular caretaker and has not recently been maintained. Vegetation contributes to its decay.



Photo from the Jewish Heritage Sites and Monuments in Moldova report.

Translation of the inscriptions was done started by **Nathen Gabriel** and **Yefim Kogan**.

574 burial records with **572** photographs are uploaded to JOWBR. Among them there are **103** images of Unknown graves, that you can access at [Unknown Graves at Zguritsa Cemetery](#).

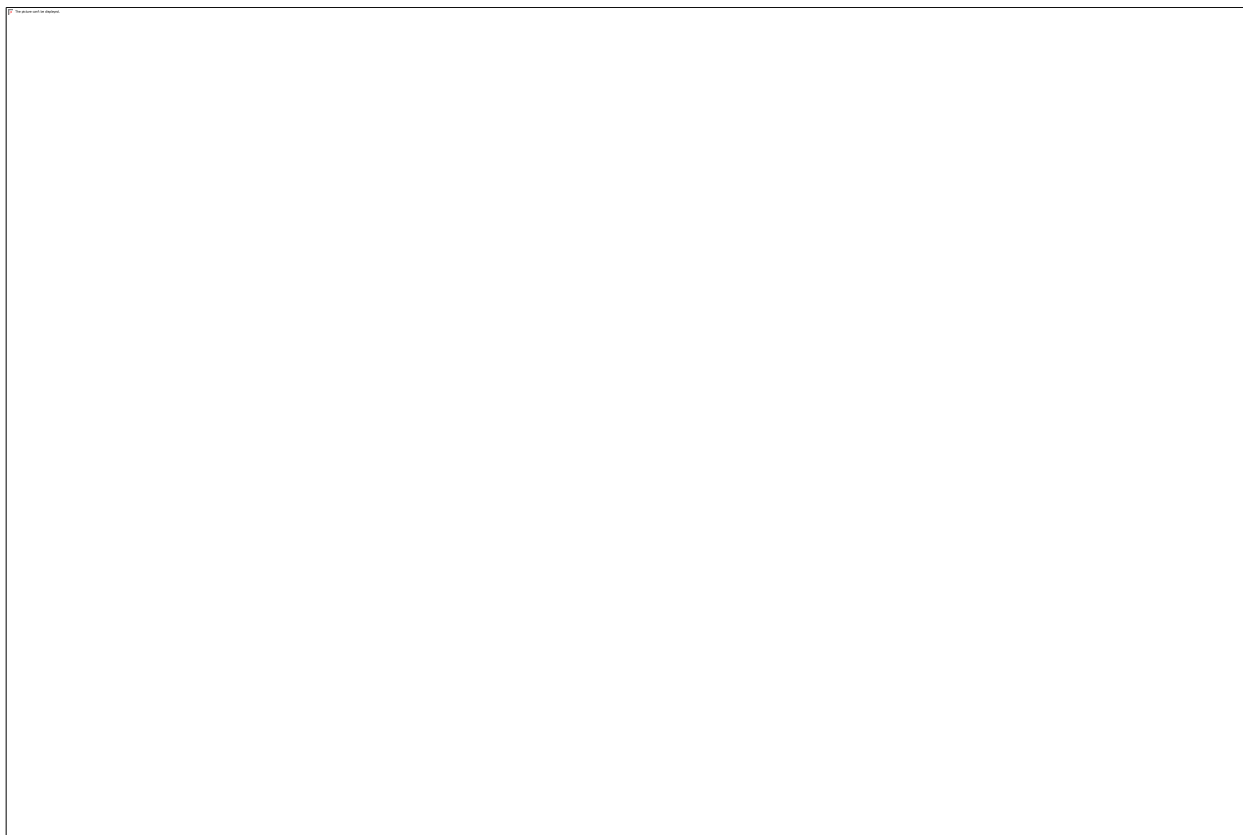
Language of the inscriptions: mostly Hebrew, some are written in Hebrew and Russian or only in Russian.

Dates: Most of the burials in this cemetery are from the beginning to middle of 20 century. The latest memorial is dated - 2000.

The cemetery is in a very poor condition. The stone fence is destroyed and last stones are taken away. There are many stones fallen, broken. When I first saw images from the cemetery, I felt that this is the **“Cemetery of Broken Stones!”**



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This is how the remaining inscriptions disappearing:



Photo was taken in
August of 2015

Kupershteyn Gamliel G.
1913-1968



Photo was taken in March of 2016



Panorama of the cemetery



One of the oldest
tombstone

Khana bat Moshe

9 Nisan 5653
(26-Mar-1893)



The Rabbi and Great Light

Avraham ben Menachem Nachum

9 Tevet 5653 (28-Dec-1892)

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