



## Defenders of the Fatherland are commemorated at Russian war memorials in Hungary



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On March 21, a ceremonial opening of the renovated Russian war memorials of the Great Patriotic War took place in Patak and Nagybárkány, Hungary.

There are tombstone inscriptions in Russian and Hungarian on the mass graves, reading "Eternal memory to the Soviet soldiers who died as heroes in World War II!" and the name plaques of the soldiers buried here. Individual tombstones have an inscription 'The Unknown Soviet Hero.'

Thanks to the work in the archives, the Office of the Russian Defense Ministry on organizing the military memorial work abroad has found another twenty-five names of Soviet soldiers buried in Patak and of five soldiers buried in Nagybárkány. All the names are now engraved on memorial stones.

Among those taking part in the opening ceremony were Colonel Alexey Zarudnev, military and air force attaché of Russia in Hungary; Mayor Tibor Fekete of Patak; head of the Nagybárkány municipality Pál Balog; and other persons.

The memorial service for the fallen soldiers was celebrated by Archpriest Ioann Kádár, rector of the Church of St. Sergius of Radonezh in Budapest.

Wreaths and flowers were laid at the obelisks.

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