

SUMMARY

The Jews and the Holocaust in memories of Papilė population

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Not a single Jew lives in Papilė at present. Only separate little town Jews' close relatives living in different countries have survived, they occasionally visit the graves. The memory about the town Jews and their annihilation return in various cultural forms: by means of press, cemetery restoration, memorial erection, etc.

The public memory passes over, urges and makes more urgent the deportations, postwar problems, returns them into people's every-day life functioning public memory due to state institutions (educational, mass media, etc.) efforts. The motives of the Lithuanian Jews memory in the institutionalized memory forms become more plentiful but they are not so urgent as deportations and other historical events that base the national Lithuanian identity. The Jewish memory periphericity in Papilė most probably reflects the characteristic for many little towns situation.