ABOUT THIS SITE

Welcome !!

This site has been constructed to memorialize and honor all past generations of the Kasperowicz family and relatives. It additionally is intended to make our current generations look back and then forward, with joy! Hopefully, it can inspire them to be thankful for what they have, living a purposeful life, with humility of thought and extending help to all others less fortunate. We ALL have been blessed. With that in mind, continue to read about our relatives, some not as fortunate as us. Then reflect, "But for the grace of God, there go I". Amazingly, our relatives past and present, in Europe as well as the USA seem to have achieved a level of happiness with their common sense and values, strongly emphasizing Faith, Family, Friends and work.

The narratives presented are an attempt to bring forth an awareness of our family history, culture and the changing circumstances, living it would seem in the middle of nowhere, in Central Europe. This however, did not insulate them from world events such as recurring European major geopolitical upheavals.

For centuries battles were fought on their lands. They lived in an area which was a battlefield of opposing major European military forces causing death and destruction.

Our ancestors were primarily subsistence farmers, initially living through a long period of serfdom. This abomination was later abolished in modern Poland. In addition to farming our relatives sought out opportunities and became skilled craftsmen, clergy, teachers and healers.

World geopolitics has again focused a light on Poland. During President Donald Trump's visit to Warsaw in 2017, he cited recent history, emphasizing one of Poland's **historical core values**, **focusing on the earthly importance of spiritual power**. In a speech he said:

"For two centuries, Poland suffered constant and brutal attacks. But while Poland could be invaded and occupied, and its borders even erased from the map, it could never be erased from

history or from your hearts. In those dark days, you have lost your land but you never lost your pride.

Poland is the geographic heart of Europe, but more importantly, in the Polish people, we see the soul of Europe. Your nation is great because your spirit is strong.

We can have the largest economies and the most lethal weapons of anywhere on Earth, but if we do not have strong families and strong values, then we will be weak and we will not survive. If anyone forgets the critical importance of these things, let them come to one country that never has.

Let them come to Poland, and let them come here to Warsaw and learn the story of the Warsaw Uprising.

After two months of fighting, in which some 15,000 Poles were killed, the rebellion was crushed. If untimely death came to those Polish heroes, so, more importantly, did eternal glory.

Then, the following year, the Soviet Red Army entered Warsaw, and the brutal Nazi occupation was replaced by the only-slightly-less-brutal Soviet occupation. Yet even so the long-suffering Poles held out:

Through four decades of Communist rule, Poland and the other captive nations of Europe endured a brutal campaign to demolish freedom, your faith, your laws, your history, your identity—indeed the very essence of your culture and humanity. Yet, through it all, you never lost your spirit. Your oppressors tried to break you. But Poland could not be broken.

And a crucial part of the spirit that could not be broken was spiritual faith. The day in 1979, when a million Poles came to hear a mass by the new Polish-born Pope, John Paul II; they chanted, "We want God!"

In those words, the Polish people recalled the promise of a better future. They found new courage to face down their oppressors. And they found the words to declare that Poland would be Poland once again.

In other words, faith doesn't just redeem in the hereafter, it redeems in the here and now."



SITE CONTENT / NAVIGATION

This site, documents two Kasperowicz family branches, directly descended from (?) Kasperowicz and his widow Barbara Kasperowicz with her five children in the beginning of the 19th century. They were living in the Russian part of partitioned Poland.

According to the recorded information obtained from St. Stanislaus Church in Dolginovo, in the record book from the years 1850-60, in the village of Anoszki, lived Barbara Kasperowicz (widow) and with her were her children....Antoni, Franciszek, Marek, Praxida and Anna.

Children of Antoni are: Piotr (Peter) and Joseph with his wife Anna from the family of Zyzniewski.

Children of Franciszek are: Kazimierz with his wife Grasilda from the family of Kanczanin

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Seven Sections:

There are two sections comprised of narrative presentations which give broad insight and perspective into our family history. Five additional sections are devoted to the progeny of Kazimierz and Grasylda Kasperowicz

1. The History Of The Kasperowicz Family And Their Relatives

Begins with Poland's early history and recounts the journey of Kazimierz Kasperowicz the son of Franciszek and grandson of the widowed Barbara Kasperowicz.

Content: Intro Land of our ancestors 9th century to 14th century 15th to 18th 19th and 20th cent Authors' personal notes and village photos History of Kazimierz and Grasylda Kasperowicz, their progeny, journey and life in the United States Addendum:

Charts showing our family tree and relatives

2. The Kasperowicz Family History by Stanley Sturycz

Begins with early Polish history and chronicles the progeny of Joseph Kasperowicz, the son of Antoni Kasperowicz and grandson of the widowed Barbara Kasperowicz.

Content listing in the text introduction

3. Nikodem Kasperowicz Family in the United States

4. Stanley Kasperowicz Family in the United States

5. Bronislawa (Kasperowicz) Faryno Family in the United States and Poland

6. Magdalena (Kasperowicz) Kurjanczyk in Belarus

7. Teofilia (Kasperowicz) Babaryko and Lagutko Families in Belarus, Estonia, Latvia