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What do the mass graves tell us?

We know that there are many mass graves in Poland in which lie the remains of the best sons of our homeland. Their graves bear witness to the hostility of the Germans. Not only individuals, but tens and hundreds of people died at German hands. The victims included men, mothers and young children. The executions took place not only in towns, but also in villages. Often, for no reason at all, the enemy surrounded entire settlements and murdered people in a cruel manner by hanging or burning them alive. The victims were mostly those Poles who were good patriots and the best sons of our homeland.

In 1942, in the village of Karolin, the Germans rounded up about 80 men from the area. On the same day, they were all murdered and buried in one grave. Many people were forced to watch their agony, which they did with a heavy heart. However, even in the final hour, the Poles did not break down, as they knew that they were dying for the freedom of their homeland. Thanks to them, our homeland is free today. Looking at their graves, we must continue their work and raise our homeland to the pinnacle of power with our hard work.