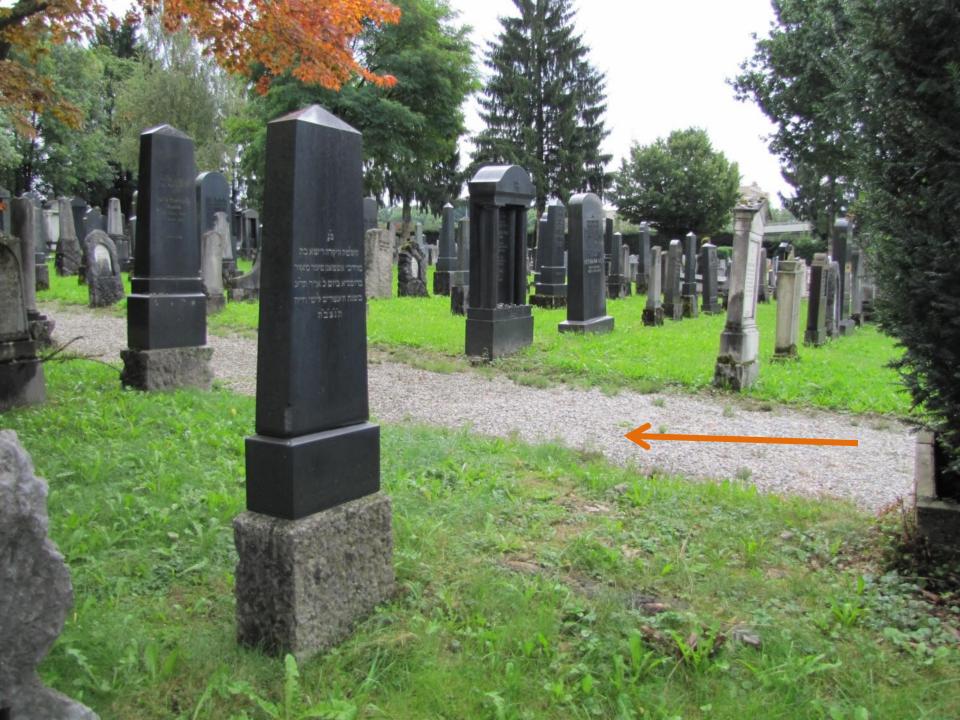
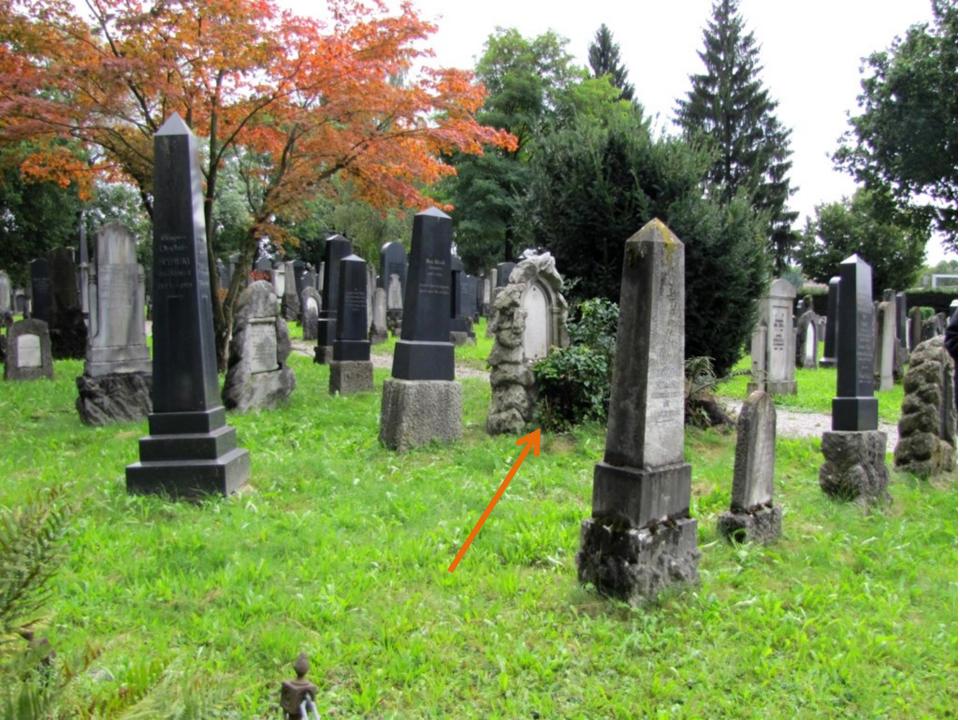
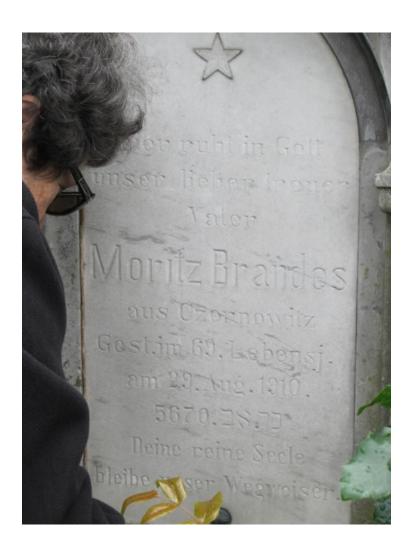
A Czernowitzer in the Jewish Cemetery in Bern Switzerland











Hier ruht in Gott Unser lieber treuer Vater

Moritz Brandes

aus Czernowitz

Gest. im 69. Lebensj. am 29. Aug. 1910

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Deine reine Seele Bleibe unser Wegweiser



News from the Civil State Office in the local news paper "Intelligenzblatt fuer die Stadt Bern" from September 1, 1910.

(deaths, marriages, births)

Publication:Intelligenzblatt;Date:Sep 1, 1910;Section:

Mitteilungen des Zivilstandsamtes Bern.

Todesjälle. 29. August. Hari, Rosa, des Christian, von Abelboden, geb. 1896, gestorben in Wattenwil. — Bahler geb. Meyes, Anna Barbara, Witwe des Johann, Privatiere, von Uebeschi, geb. 1828. — Nanni, Guglielmo, Chemann der Louise Amalia Gutsnecht, Dr. med., Arzt, von Anzonico (Teisin), geb. 1851. — Witschie geb. Kiener, Anna, Witwe des Christian, gew. Sanitätsinstruktors, von Bariswil, geb. 1841. — Brandes, Moris, Witwer der Chaje Straßer, Markikränter, von Gernowis (Desterr.), geb. 1849. — Schwab, Julius August, Chemann der Rosetts Mauerhoser, gew. Karrer, von Sielen, geb. 1869.











The small metal-plaques on the floor surrounding the beautiful Holocaust Memorial were set by Jews from Bern in memory of their lost loved ones.

Zichronam le bracha!

Moritz Brandes was my great-grandfather who died a short time after arriving in Bern in 1910. He and his children hoped that he will make good businesses there and eventually will bring the family to Switzerland.

For almost 70 years there went a saying in my mother's family: "It's a pity that our grandpa died suddenly in Bern" Who knows, if...

(Do you have any idea why they put a five-pointed star on the headstone? I believe someone made a mistake...)

Irene, September 2012