

Dying for the Motherland and dumped in a mass grave: Skulls of Soviet WWII soldiers are uncovered in middle of a German village

- The skulls of Soviet soldiers were unearthed at a mass grave in the village of Alt Tucheband, close to Polish border
- Grave, which contains the remains of 20 Russian servicemen from the Second World War, was discovered last year
- 25 members of the Association for the Recovery of the Fallen in Eastern Europe (VBGO) are working on the site

A volunteer group which works to recover the bodies of fallen soldiers in eastern Europe has unearthed the skulls of Soviet soldiers at a mass grave in Brandenburg, [Germany](#).

The grave, which contains the remains of 20 Russian servicemen from the Second World War, is located in the small village of Alt Tucheband and was discovered last summer.

Around 25 members of the Association for the Recovery of the Fallen in Eastern Europe (VBGO) are working on the site close to the Polish border.

The group searches for the nameless dead, who do not have commemorative stones, and for those who were buried, but are still considered missing. It aims to give a name back to the missing dead from all countries who fought in the conflict. Almost 9,000,000 Soviet soldiers died during the Second World War, the highest number of any state fighting in the war. In eastern Europe and Russia there are approximately two million missing Germans, and many mass graves remain to be found. Almost half million German soldiers have been buried in new graves since the end of the Cold War.



A volunteer group which works to recover the bodies of fallen soldiers in eastern Europe has uncovered the skulls of Soviet soldiers



Around 25 members of the Association for the Recovery of the Fallen in Eastern Europe (VBGO) are working on the site close to the Polish border



The grave, which contains the remains of 20 Russian servicemen from the Second World War, is located in the small village of Alt Tucheband and was discovered last summer