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Agam Berger

20 years old

Agam, a lookout soldier, was abducted with her friends from Nahal Oz. Her family identified her in a Telegram video released by Hamas where she was seen being forced into a car while wearing pajamas. Shortly before she was kidnapped, she had called her father to tell him about the rocket fire. Agam is a talented violinist. Agam's father, Shlomi, revealed the first and only sign of life her family received. It was a phone call he received from Agam Goldstein-Almog who was released in the hostage deal at the end of November, and she asked her to send him a birthday card from his daughter who remained in captivity.

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Alon Ohel

23 years old  Israeli-Serbian

Alon was abducted from the Re'im music festival. He had arrived at the festival with four friends at 5:30 in the morning, shortly before the attack began. Through correspondence with his family, they understood from him that he was in a shelter and that everything was fine. According to testimonies, when the shooting began, they got into the car and drove off to hide in a shelter, towards which the terrorists threw grenades. Alon and others threw the grenades back out so that they would not explode on them, but the terrorists went in and took him and two others in the car. Later, they were also identified in a Hamas video. Two of his friends were killed. Alon is a talented musician and pianist, he majored in music. Music is an inseparable part of his life. Only a month before the attack, he returned from a six-month trip to the East. Alon turned 23 years old on February 10, 2024, while still in Hamas captivity.

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Amiram Cooper

85 years old  Israeli-Polish

Amiram was abducted along with his wife Nurit, who was released along with Yocheved Lifshitz at the end of October.

Both Amiram and Nurit were abducted from Kibbutz Nir Oz. Amiram had worked for years as the chief economist of the towns in the Bela Valley. He also published numerous books of poetry, wrote plays, and published articles on politics and economics. Amiram was a father of three and a grandfather of nine. He was kidnapped without medication that was critical for his survival.

Amiram turned 85 on December 10, 2023 while still in captivity. On December 18, 2023, a video was published showing a sign of life from Amiram as he was shown alongside hostages Yoram Metzger and Chaim Peri. On June 3, 2024, it was announced that Amiram died in captivity and his body remains held by Hamas in Gaza.

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Arbel Yehoud

29 years old

Arbel was abducted from Nir Oz along with her partner Ariel Cunio. Ariel's brother, David, was also captured along with his wife Danielle and two daughters, Emma and Yuli. Sharon, Emma, and Yuli were released on November 27, 2023.


Arbel lived for a short period in the center of the country and six years ago she came back to live in Kibbutz Nir Oz. She is very interested in space research and astronomy and is involved in teaching these subjects in the Groove Tech campus in the Eshkol regional council.

Initially, her brother, Dolev Yehoud, was considered kidnapped, but on June 3, 2024, it was announced that his body was identified in Israel and that he was murdered on October 7 as he left his home to help save lives in the Kibbutz.

Arbel turned 29 on June 21, 2024 while she remains in captivity.

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Ariel Bibas

5 years old  Israeli-Argentinian

Ariel was abducted with his mother Shiri and brother, Kfir, who was only nine months old when taken, from their home in Kibbutz Nir Oz.

The video of terrified Shiri wrapping her two children in a blanket has become one of the symbols of the war and its horrors. Ariel's father, Yarden, was seen in another video being dragged away by Hamas terrorists to the Gaza Strip.

Hamas terrorists recorded a video of the moment they broke into the Bibas family home. They broke open the door with a screwdriver. Yarden texted his sister, "They broke into our house, it feels like the end. I'm scared, I've got pistols, but they have machine guns". Ariel's grandparents, Shiri's parents Yosi and Margit Silverman, were killed. Ariel's family says he is a truly joyful kid who loves Batman and trucks, and that his energy and infectious smile illuminates any room. August 5, 2024 marked Ariel's 5th birthday while he remains in captivity.

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Ariel Cunio

27 years old

Ariel was in kibbutz Nir Oz with his girlfriend Arbel Yehoud, who was also abducted. Ariel is the brother of David Cunio, who was also taken hostage with his entire family. Recently, Ariel and Arbel returned from a long trip to South America. Ariel turned 27 years old on June 12, 2024 while he remains in captivity.

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Arye Zalmanovich

86 years old

Arye Zalmanovich ('Zalman') was a resident of Kibbutz Nir Oz, father of Boaz and Yoav and grandfather of five grandchildren. He was one of the founders of the kibbutz. Communications with Arye were lost at 9:30 on Saturday morning, when he spoke to his family for the last time.

He was born in Haifa and came with the core of the "Nahal" youth movement to the kibbutz and became an expert agriculturalist, specializing in wheat cultivation in the Negev conditions. In recent years, he continued to wear his work clothes every morning and went out on his scooter to drink coffee and chat with the young farmers. He was a man of wide knowledge of history and the Land of Israel, he disappeared without his glasses and hearing aids. On December 1, 2023, Kibbutz Nir Oz reported he was murdered. His body remains held by Hamas.

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Asaf Hamami

40 years old

Asaf Hamami, who served as commander of the Southern Brigade of the Gaza Division, fell in battle on October 7th while defending Kibbutz Nirim. His body was abducted to Gaza along with the bodies of Tomer Ahimas, Hamami's relative, and Kiril Brodski, a soldier in his unit.

Hamami, 41, a resident of Kiryat Ono, left behind a wife and three children. Before serving as commander of the Southern Brigade, he also served as commander of the Negev Brigade and before that as commander of the Commando Brigade's training base and commander of the Tzavar battalion of the Givati Brigade.



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Avera Mengistu

38 years old  Israeli-Ethiopian

Avera Mengistu while mentally unstable crossed the border into Gaza on September 7, 2014 from the area of Zikim and has since been held by Hamas. In January 2023, for the first time in years, the Hamas organization released a video showing Avera speaking broken Hebrew in captivity. Initially, security officials did not confirm the authenticity of the video, but later his mother said she identified him. The day after the video was released, Prime Minister Netanyahu confirmed its authenticity. Avera grew up in Ashkelon with 11 brothers and sisters. They have been working for more than nine years to bring him back to Israel.

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Avinatan Or

30 years old

The video of the kidnapping of Avinatan and his girlfriend Noa Argamani, who were attending the music festival in Re'im, made headlines around the world. Noa was taken away on a motorcycle by Hamas terrorists while screaming "Don't kill me!" Avinatan appears to have also been taken to Gaza.

His family said that he and Noa were planning to move in together soon. Avinatan had completed a degree in Electrical Engineering and Computer Science from Ben-Gurion University and works at Nvidia. During his studies, he volunteered at the children's oncology department in Soroka Hospital. He loves to read books, always loves to host, cook and take care of his friends. February 6, 2024 marked his 31st birthday. On June 8, 2024, Noa was rescued in a special operation by the IDF, the Shin Bet, and Yamam. Avinatan remains in captivity.

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Aviv Atzili

50 years old

Aviv was abducted together with his wife, Liat from Kibbutz Nir Oz. They are parents to Aya (18), Neta (20) and Ofri (22).

Aviv went out to fight off the terrorists and his wife stayed in the safe room with their dog. In the early hours he was still in contact with Liat and updating her on what was happening.

Aviv was an important member of Kibbutz Nir Oz and coordinated the agricultural machinery branch of the kibbutz.

Aya, their youngest daughter, was at Kibbutz Lotan in the Arava. The boys, Neta and Ofri, were in their apartments in the kibbutz. The children and Aviv's mother, Telma, are all safe.


On November 30, 2023, the day after Liat's release as part of a hostage-prisoner exchange deal, the family was updated that Aviv was murdered.

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Banawat Sahatan

28 years old  Thai

Thai farmer who worked in the Gaza Envelope.

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Bar Kupershtien

23 years old

Bar is a medic in United Hatzalah who worked as a security guard at the Re'im music festival. His friends saw him in a Hamas video, handcuffed and lying on the floor, and according to his family, he was heard calling out his name clearly. In recent years, he has become the main provider of the family, after his father went into assisted living. His mother is currently dealing with a difficult fracture, and his two younger brothers are managing the affairs. The family's bank accounts are frozen by law.

Bar's 23rd birthday fell on April 1, 2024 while he remains in Gaza.

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Bipin Joshi

24 years old 🇳🇵 Nepali

Bipin is a Nepali citizen. He arrived at Kibbutz Alumim to intern in agriculture three weeks before he was abducted to Gaza. He hid in a shelter with 16 other students, at least ten of whom were killed at the scene. On October 7, Bipin was seen in footage being forcibly abducted by Hamas terrorists, along with 3 Thai citizens to the Al-Shifa Hospital.

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Daniela Gilboa

20 years old


Daniela, a lookout soldier at the Nahal Oz base, was abducted while wearing pajamas. When the attack began, she wrote to her mother: "They are attacking us, pray for us". There is a blurry video in which she can be seen on one of the vehicles that were on their way into Gaza, her family was able to identify her shirt. Her family members describe her as a full of life young woman, a singer and songwriter who wrote and composed songs. She has a young sister, and a boyfriend Roi, who is waiting for her at home with her family.

On January 26, 2024, Hamas released a propaganda video showing a sign of life from Daniela along with Karina Arie and Doron Steinbrecher.

March 27, 2024 marked Daniela's 20th birthday while she remains in Hamas captivity.

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Daniel Perez

23 years old  Israeli-South African

Daniel Perez was captured by Hamas terrorists near Kibbutz Nahal Oz during the attack on October 7. Daniel immigrated to Israel with his family from South Africa when he was 13, two months after his Bar Mitzvah. He was very sociable and loved extreme sports. His brother, Yonatan Perez, was shot in the leg during the battle. Ten days later, the Perez family decided to go ahead with the long-planned wedding of Yonatan and his fiancée, Galya Landau. The decision to go ahead with his wedding was incredibly hard for Yonatan but the family together felt it was the right thing to do under the circumstances. Daniel's absence was deeply felt during the wedding ceremony. "When the rabbi mentioned him, it was very, very hard and I broke down," said his father. "I had my son holding me up, instead of me holding him up."

On March 17, 2024, the IDF announced that the Chief Military Rabbi determined his death after an examination of all findings and based on reliable sources.

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David Cunio

35 years old

David, his wife Sharon, and their twins Emma and Yuli, were all abducted from their home in Nir Oz on Saturday, October 7. Sharon's sister, Danielle Alony, and her 6-year-old daughter, Emelia, were also taken. In addition, David's brother, Ariel, along with his partner Arbel Yehoud, were also abducted.

Danielle Alony and Emilia were released in the first phase of the hostage-prisoner exchange on November 24, 2023. Sharon, Emma and Yuli were released on November 27, 2023. David's 35th birthday fell on May 21, 2024 while he remains in captivity.

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Doron Steinbrecher

30 years old

Doron, a veterinary nurse, was in her apartment in Kibbutz Kfar Aza when she was abducted by Hamas. She takes daily medication and since her abduction she has not been able to receive it, causing serious health risks. Contact was lost after she sent a voice message at 10:30 on October 7, where she told her friends: "They've arrived, they have me."

On January 26, 2024, Hamas released a propaganda video showing a sign of life from Doron along with Daniela Gilboa and Karina Arieiv, 19 years old.

Doron turned 31 on March 18, 2024 while she remains in captivity.

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Dror Or

48 years old

Dror was abducted from his home in Be'eri along with his children, Alma and Noam, and his nephew Liam. His wife, Yonatan, a well-known furniture designer, was murdered. His eldest son, Yali, who was not at home at the time, was spared.

Dror, a chef specializing in dairy cuisine, worked at a dairy factory in Be'eri producing gourmet cheeses.

Noam and Alma were released from captivity as part of the second phase of the hostage-prisoner exchange deal on November 25, 2023. Liam was released on November 29, 2023.

On May 2, 2024, Kibbutz Be'eri announced that Dror was murdered on October 7 and his body is still held by Hamas.

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Edan Alexander

20 years old  Israeli-American

Edan came to Israel without his parents and was kidnapped from the Gaza Envelope area. His mother, Yael, visited Israel exactly a week before his kidnapping and they were able to spend a few days together. When the sirens started, he called to reassure her, but soon after, he lost contact. He graduated from New Jersey's Tenafly High School just a year prior. His parents, Yael and Adi, and two younger brothers live in Tenafly, New Jersey and are waiting for his return.

Edan's 20th birthday fell on December 29, 2023 while he remains in captivity.

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Eitan Avraham Mor

24 years old

Eitan arrived at the festival in Re'im as a security guard. His parents, Sabbath observers, had no idea he was at the festival. In the morning of the event, he spoke with his uncle. According to those who last saw him, he was seen moving two girl's bodies to a safe place. His father, Tzvika, who attended the first meeting between Netanyahu and the families of the abductees, said he was opposed to an exchange that would bring the release of terrorists.

Eitan's 24th birthday fell on May 30, 2024 while he remains in captivity.

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Eitan Horn

38 years old  Israeli-Argentinian

Eitan was abducted with his brother Yair when he came to visit him in Nir Oz. He is an informal educator who has long worked with different youth movements and served as an emissary in Peru. Yair, who works in construction, is heavily involved in Nir Oz, organizing parties and holiday activities and is responsible for the local kibbutz pub.

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Eitan Levy

54 years old

On the morning of October 7, Eitan took a taxi ride from Rishon LeZion to Kibbutz Be'eri. At 7:30 he called his family to inform them that rockets had been fired, ten minutes later his son heard him screaming for help and heard sounds of him struggling. The phone call remained connected and the family could hear what was happening until 8:30. They heard someone ask Eitan his name. They have since lost contact with him. On December 8, 2023, the family was informed that Eitan was murdered and his body was kidnapped by Hamas.

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Eli Sharabi

53 years old

Eli was abducted from his home in Be'eri. His brother, Yosi, was also taken, along with his daughter's partner, Ofir Angel, from their home in Be'eri.

Nirah, Yosi's wife, said: "At 11:00 I received a message from my sister-in-law, Leanne, that the terrorists were in her house. We tried to call her but she did not answer. On Sunday they informed us that she was killed." Eli's daughters, 13-year-old Yahel, and 16-year-old Noya, were also killed in the attack.

Ofir was released as part of a hostage-prisoner exchange deal. His brother, Yosi, was murdered in Hamas captivity and Kibbutz Be'eri announced his death on January 16, 2024.

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Eliya Cohen

27 years old

Eliya Cohen was abducted from the festival in Re'im. He went to the festival with his girlfriend, Ziv. When the massacre started, the two fled, and grenades and RPGs were thrown at them. Ziv fell, and bodies fell on top of her, and that's how she survived. Eliya was injured. According to the description, they looked at each other and held hands, he managed to say that he was injured and he was fine, but then someone pulled him out from the pile of bodies.

Eliya used to be a party planner, and now he works in sales and started dealing with real estate. He comes from a religious family in Tzur Hadassah, and became secular by age 16. Eliya is the eldest brother of three sisters. His father is disabled, and due to the situation, his mental state has deteriorated. According to his family, Eliya planned to propose to Ziv. His mother says he is a sensitive and empathetic person, with many friends in Israel and around the world. "I am sure he takes care of the babies in Gaza, plays with them, and looks after them."

April 23, 2024 marked Eliya's 27th birthday while he remains in captivity.

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Eliyahu Margalit

76 years old

Eliyahu Margalit was abducted from Nir Oz in an unknown condition. At 7:00 on Shabbat morning he went to feed the horses in the kibbutz and there were many traces of blood in the area. His horses were also taken along with him. His daughter, Nili Margalit, was also abducted and released on November 30, 2023. The day after her release, the family was notified that Eliyahu was killed in captivity by Hamas.

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Elkana Bohbut

35 years old  Israeli-Colombian

Elkana Bohbut was abducted from the Re'im festival where he worked as part of the production team. He sent his wife, Rivka, a message that there was gunfire and that he was helping people escape. At 08:00 he spoke with his parents and said that everything was okay. He was seen in a Hamas video, cowering in fear on the floor with other captives. His childhood friends, brothers Osher and Michael Vaknin, were killed.

He is married and the father of a three-year-old son. Elkana was active in the party scene, setting up decorations for large events at the nightclub chain HaUman 17 and working for a production company.

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Emily Damari

28 years old  Israeli-British

Emily was abducted from her home in Kfar Aza.

Her brother Tom told The Independent: "We all miss Emily, looking forward for her coming back soon. She has been missing from Kfar Aza since Saturday, October 7. Her last message at 10am was that the terrorist was in her apartment and shooting at her. She's missing so we presume she is in Gaza taken as hostage. There are 10-15 missing young people from the kibbutz Kfar Aza. I was also at the kibbutz with my wife and two daughters and with a little bit of luck we survived. I don't want to talk to about it, I'm still processing it." Her friends say that Emily is everyone's friend, she is very popular and loved in the Kibbutzim and they are all waiting for her return.

Emily turned 28 years old on June 10, 2024 while she remains in captivity.

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Evyatar David

23 years old

Evyatar was abducted from the music festival in Re'im along with his childhood friend Guy Gilboa Dalal. They had been at the festival with Idan Hermati and Ron Tzarfati, who were both killed. In the morning of the attack, Evyatar told his mother on the phone that there were rocket attacks and he has not been heard from since. Later that day, Hamas released a video of him on Telegram, lying on the ground, frightened, while someone shone a flashlight on him. Later, another video was released showing him with his hands tied up being dragged by a terrorist who had one hand on Evyatar's shoulder and a gun in his other hand.

Evyatar is a talented musician who plays acoustic and classical guitar. He is the son of Gilia and Avishai, has an older brother, Ilay, age 26, and a younger sister Yaela, age 18.

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Gad Haggai

74 years old  Israeli-American

Gad ("Gadi") and his wife, Judith ("Judy"), were abducted from Nir Oz. They were out for their usual walk in the fields of the kibbutz, (they can be seen on security cameras leaving through the gate), when they reported to the kibbutz that they noticed missiles being fired from Gaza. Later, Judy contacted the kibbutz reporting that Gadi was seriously injured and that they needed help. Neither Judy nor Gadi have been heard from since. Their phones were found to be located in Gaza. Gadi was a skilled player of wind instruments, and a down-to-earth person connected to the land. He was from Kibbutz Ein Hashofet. He and Judy had four children.

On December 22, 2023, Kibbutz Nir Oz announced that the family received a message that Gadi was murdered by Hamas and that his body is being held in Gaza. On December 28, 2023, Kibbutz Nir Oz announced that Judy was also murdered and that her body is still in Hamas captivity.

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Gadi Moses

80 years old

Gadi Moses, a resident of Nir Oz, was filmed by Hamas when he was abducted by terrorists from his home in the kibbutz. His wife, Efrat Katz, was killed in the attack.

Efrat's daughter Doron and two young granddaughters Aviv and Raz, who were at their house for Shabbat, were also kidnapped and later released in the first phase of the prisoner exchange on November 24, 2023. Gadi remained in captivity.

Gadi's half-brother, Ravid Katz, was killed on October 7th and his body was abducted by Hamas. Gadi is an agronomist and farmer who loves nature. Over the years, he has guided and supported third world countries through his extensive agricultural knowledge. After retiring, he established a community vegetable garden. As a wine enthusiast, he grew grapes as a hobby.

His family describes him as a warm, loving, and affectionate family-oriented man. His beloved father and grandfather invested in and supported him. He was a believer in coexistence. Gadi was abducted without his glasses or his medications.

Gadi's ex-wife, Margalit Moses, was also abducted from Nir Oz and returned as part of the first phase of the prisoner exchange on November 24, 2023.

Gadi's 80th birthday fell on March 12, 2024, while he remains in captivity.

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Gali Berman

27 years old

Gali and his twin brother Ziv were kidnapped from Kfar Aza. They live together in the "young generation" neighborhood of the kibbutz, a neighborhood that is right next to the fence.

The brothers have been childhood friends with each other since day one and worked together at the amplification company. They travelled around the world and both are fans of Maccabi Tel Aviv and Liverpool FC. They played in the village football team "Kfar Aza Foxes".

On October 7th, Ziv was in his room and Gali was visiting a friend two houses away.

Ten days later, the family received a message from IDF officers that the brothers were likely kidnapped. The family does not know if they are together or if they are injured. Their parents and their eldest brother Idan survived the terror attack and are waiting for their return.

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Guy Gilboa Dalal

23 years old

Guy traveled to the music festival in Re'im with his friend Evyatar David who was also abducted. A video of Guy in Gaza surfaced where he appeared to be handcuffed. Guy planned to go on a big trip after his army service in a few weeks to Japan and had already started learning Japanese.

Guy's 23rd birthday fell on May 10, 2024 while he remains in captivity.

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Guy Ilouz

27 years old

Guy started to leave the music festival in Re'im with ten friends when the rocket fire began. In the footage of the terrorists, they are seen arriving at Guy's Jeep and killing everyone inside. At the end of the clip, someone is seen escaping - presumably Guy. Guy called Magen David Adom and reported that there were terrorists and that he was hiding behind a tree, wounded and bleeding, and asked them to send a helicopter. The Magen David Adom operator got his father, Michel, on the line at his request. Guy said to him, "Dad, I just wanted to tell you that I love you." Michel got into the car and drove to the area, searching for Guy among the bodies. Two days later, the Jeep was found in the area where it was burned and full of bloodstains.

Army representatives told his father that they had found evidence that Guy was taken into Gaza.

Guy was a musician, a guitarist, a sound engineer with Matti Caspi, Shalom Hanoach, and HaYehudim. His family was informed on November 30th that he had been murdered and his body remains in Hamas captivity.

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Hadar Goldin

23 years old

Hadar was a Sergeant in the Givati Brigade who fell in battle in Rafah during Operation Protective Edge on August 1, 2014. A 72-hour ceasefire was agreed upon which was quickly broken by Hamas. A force under the command of Colonel Benaya Sarel, including Sergeant Goldin and a small number of soldiers, continued to search for tunnels in the Rafah area. At 9:05, terrorists emerged from a tunnel and attacked the force. They killed Colonel Sarel, Sergeant Liel Gidoni, and Sergeant Goldin. Sergeant Goldin was abducted into the terror tunnel. Shortly afterwards, a "Hannibal Directive" was activated, which involved a heavy artillery barrage in the area in order to prevent the abductors from escaping. Lieutenant Itay Pund and Major Matan Choresh led a pursuit of the terrorists inside the tunnel. During the pursuit, items were found that later allowed to determine Goldin's fate. Hadar grew up in Kfar Saba. He was 23 years old and was engaged to Edna Sarusi. He left behind his parents, twin brother, another brother, and sister. His family has been fighting for his return ever since. Hadar has been held by Hamas for over 9 years. During the Operation Protective Edge, Prime Minister Netanyahu said that the government was working to return all captives, including Hadar, soldier Oron Shaul, and the two additional Israeli citizens taken into Gaza before the start of the war.

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Hamza Alziadne

23 years old

Hamza was abducted along with his father Youssef and two siblings, Bilal and Aisha, from Kibbutz Holit. Youssef had worked the last 19 years in a dairy farm in Kibbutz Holit, together with his three children.

In Hamas channels, pictures of Hamza and Bilal were seen with an armed Hamas terrorist standing over them. They also took pictures of Youssef and Aisha. Following the photos, it is assumed that they were abducted. Aisha and Bilal were released on November 30th, 2023. Hamza and Youssef remain in Hamas captivity.

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Hisham al-Sayed

36 years old

In early April 2015, Hisham al-Sayed, an Israeli citizen living in the south, crossed the border into the Gaza Strip. He was then abducted by Hamas.

In June 2022, Hamas released a video of him lying on a bed awake and looking in different directions while wearing an oxygen mask.

Hisham had been held captive by Hamas nearly nine years.

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Idan Shtivi

29 years old

Idan Shtivi, a photography enthusiast in his second year studying sustainability and governance at Reichman University, had just arrived in the area of the music festival in Re'im when the terrorist attack started. When Shtivi and his friends noticed the rocket fire in the area, they decided to drive towards the center. However, on Route 242 they were attacked by Hamas terrorists.

Shtivi, who was the driver, even tried to escape the murderous gunfire. Shtivi's friends in the car were killed. Shtivi himself was considered missing and at the beginning of January 2024, his family was officially informed there was evidence he had been kidnapped. "My brother, Idan, always knew how to act in situations, even in terrifying events," said his sister Hila, "It is very difficult for us, it's as if a part of our bodies are missing."

On October 7, 2024, a year after the massacre, it was announced that Idan was murdered on the day of the attack and is still held by Hamas.

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Ilan Weiss

57 years old

Ilan was a part of the emergency staff of Kibbutz Be'eri and went out to fight the terrorists. His wife Shiri and 17-year-old daughter Noga were home at the time of the attack. When the terrorists entered the house, Noga hid under the bed and reported to the family's WhatsApp group that her mother had been kidnapped. After Shiri was abducted, the terrorists set fire to the house, and Noga, following her older sister's advice, escaped through the shelter window and hid behind a bush. Shiri and Noga were released in the second hostage-prisoner exchange on November 25, 2023. On January 1, 2024, Kibbutz Be'eri announced that Ilan Weiss was murdered during the attack and his body is still held by Hamas terrorists.

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Inbar Haiman

28 years old

Inbar was kidnapped from the festival in Re'im and was seen in a video being taken by the terrorists while unconscious into Gaza. Inbar was at the festival with friends and was a festival "helper" who volunteered to help festivalgoers in need. She ran away with two Israelis, Priel Bitton and Rom Dahari, and two terrorists chased them for 3 hours. Only at about 1pm, the terrorists managed to catch up. One of them grabbed hold of Inbar. A motorcycle that came out of Kibbutz Be'eri with armed terrorists murdered and kidnapped Inbar to Gaza.

Inbar was a visual communications student and the partner of Alon. The two studied together at WIZO Haifa, and she was about to start her fourth year. She was a graffiti artist in Israel and around the world with a well recognized signature of her nickname "Pink." Since the abduction, graffiti artists in Israel and around the world have set out on the streets and sprayed "Free Pink". On December 15, her family was informed that Inbar was murdered by Hamas and her body remains in captivity.

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Itai Svirsky

39 years old  Israeli-German

Itai came to Be'eri to visit his mother, Orit, for the holiday and it appears he was abducted from her home. When Hamas terrorists arrived at the kibbutz, they entered the home and contact was lost at that time. Since then, he has gone missing. His phone was last tracked to a field near the Gaza border. Itai's mother and father, Orit and Rafi, were murdered in the attack.

Itai, a graduate of psychology and economics, is a coach in the practice of the Satya method. His grandparents were founders and pillars of the kibbutz.

On January 15, 2024, a Hamas propaganda video was published showing Itai along with hostage Yosi Sharabi. The next day, Kibbutz Be'eri announced that Itai was murdered and is still held in Hamas captivity.

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Itay Chen

19 years old  Israeli-American

Itay was murdered on October 7 and is still held in Hamas captivity. He was abducted from a Nahal Oz military base where he was stationed with friends in his Armored Corps team. His family spoke with him on Saturday morning and haven't heard from him since. His brother was about to have his Bar Mitzvah a few days after the kidnapping - he commemorated it without him.

Itay is the middle of three brothers. He was a sports enthusiast who loved soccer, rock climbing, and traveling around the country.

On March 12, 2024, the IDF permitted the publication that Itay was killed and his body is held by Hamas.

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Itzik Elgarat

69 years old  Israeli-Danish

Itzik was abducted from Nir Oz. He was shot in the hand, and his brother tried to guide him over the phone on how to make a tourniquet. His brother recounted that Itzik attempted to close the door of the shelter and told him, "Danny, this is the end." He was abducted along with his brother-in-law, Alex Dancyg, who was murdered in captivity.

Itzik is a father of two and has family in Denmark. He is a devoted fan of football and Maccabi Tel Aviv.

MURDERED


Joshua Loitu Mollel

22 years old  Tanzanian

Joshua was a agriculture student from Tanzania who was abducted by Hamas. Joshua had an internship at Nahal Oz's dairy farm which was organised by his college in central Tanzania, the Ministry of Agriculture Training Institute - Katrin. On December 13, 2023, his father was informed that his son was murdered and his body was held by Hamas in Gaza. Joshua had come to Israel from Tanzania only two weeks before the sudden attack.

MURDERED

Judith Weinstein-Haggai

71 years old  Israeli-American-Canadian

Judith ("Judy") was abducted along with her husband, Gad ("Gadi"). The two left for an early morning walk in the fields of Nir Oz at the time of the attack and have not been seen since. They called the kibbutz from the field alerting the community of missiles coming from Gaza, and later made another call in which Judy reported that Gadi was injured and in need of help.

Judith worked as an English teacher. In recent years, she purchased new tools to help the students of the Gaza envelope suffering from anxiety and worked with them through mindfulness, meditation, singing, and therapy with puppet theater. Her students say that each student was the entire world for her. Judy and Gadi have four children. On December 22, 2023, Kibbutz Nir Oz announced that the family received a message that Gadi was murdered by Hamas and that his body is still held in Gaza. On December 28, 2023, Kibbutz Nir Oz announced that Judy was also murdered and her body is still held in Hamas captivity.

KIDNAPPED

Karina Arieiv

20 years old

Karina, a lookout soldier, was abducted from the Nahal Oz base. The family received a video in which she was seen kidnapped by Hamas. At 6:30 am, she called her father and said there were shootings, she cried out a scream and got disconnected. Later, the family came across a Telegram video in which she was seen kidnapped in a car with two other girls and bruises on her face. The family describes her as a gentle girl with a big heart, "even when she called and cried, she asked us not to cry, not to go looking for her, to continue with our lives". Karina has her parents and younger sister, Sasha, waiting for her return. On January 26, 2024, Hamas published a video showing a sign of life from Karina, along with Daniela Gilboa and Doron Steinbrecher. August 4, 2024 marked Karina's 20th birthday, while she remains in captivity.

KIDNAPPED

Keith Samuel Siegel

65 years old  Israeli-American

Keith and his wife Adrienne (Aviva) were abducted from their home in Kibbutz Kfar Aza by Hamas gunmen and taken to the Gaza Strip. The Siegels have four children and five grandchildren. They have been living in the kibbutz for 42 years. Both of them came to Israel from the United States out of faith in the Jewish State, they met in Israel and fell in love. Keith is a medical practitioner by profession. Their children said that they spoke with them on Saturday morning. Their son heard the terrorists entering, heard screams, but no gunshots. Later the family received a message from the army that Keith appeared to have been taken away in a car. Adrienne was released as part of the third hostage-prisoner exchange on November 26, 2023.

On April 27, 2024, Hamas published a sign of life from Siegel. In the video, he addresses his family while bursting into tears: "I want to tell my family that I love you very much. It's important to me that you know that I'm fine, that I really hope you are too. See you later, and hopefully it will be soon."

Keith's 65th birthday fell on May 8, 2024 while he remains in captivity.

KIDNAPPED

Kfir Bibas

20 months old  Israeli-Argentinian

Baby Kfir was abducted when he was only nine months old along with his mother Shiri and his brother Ariel (4) from their home in Kibbutz Nir Oz.

The video of terrified Shiri embracing her two children in a blanket has become one of the symbols of the war and its horrors. Kfir's father, Yarden, was seen in another video being dragged away by Hamas terrorists to the Gaza Strip.

Hamas terrorists recorded a video of the moment they broke into the Bibas family home. They broke open the door with a screwdriver. Yarden texted his sister, "They broke into our house, it feels like the end. I'm scared, I've got pistols, but they have machine guns". Kfir's grandparents, Shiri's parents Yosi and Margit Silverman, were killed.

Hamas claims Kfir has been killed in Gaza, though his family hopes this is not true. Kfir's first birthday was on January 18, 2024 according to his aunt, Ofri. He has not yet been returned home.

MURDERED

Lior Rudaeff

61 years old  Israeli-Argentinian

Lior was known as the ambulance driver of Kibbutz Nir Yitzhak. Argentinean to the core, he was an avid cyclist and admired Shlomo Artzi. Married to Yaffa for 38 years, he was a father to Noam, Nadav, Bar, and Ben, and a grandfather to Tomer, Dagan, and Shai. Two years ago, he suffered a severe heart attack. On October 7, he fought terrorists and managed to report that he was wounded. On May 7, 2024, exactly 7 months after the massacre, Kibbutz Nir Yitzhak announced that Lior was murdered on October 7. His body was abducted and held in Gaza by Hamas.

KIDNAPPED

Liri Albag

19 years old

Liri was abducted from Nahal Oz on Saturday morning. A family member said: "We lost contact with her in the early morning hours. She is a happy and amazing girl, full of life. She loves to travel. She dreams of becoming a makeup artist. Her partner was injured a year and a half ago and she has been taking care of him with great devotion. They identified her on the second day of the in videos posted on Telegram. They saw her and three other friends handcuffed in a truck.

Her family says they received her last message at 6:45 am where she wrote that they were being shot at.


Her 19th birthday fell on February 4, 2024 while she remains in captivity.

KIDNAPPED

Matan Angrest

22 years old

Matan was abducted from Nahal Oz where he was in a tank with 3 other soldiers defending the Kibbutz. Matan loves fitness and working out.

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KIDNAPPED

Matan Tzagauker

24 years old

Matan Tzagauker, originally from Nir Oz, was abducted along with his girlfriend Ilana Gritzevski from their home in Nir Oz. He communicated with his family from the safe room, first trying to calm down his mother, but later writing: "They are here; they are in the house" and "I love you, don't cry." His last three messages were: "Here." His family say that because of his parents' divorce, Matan had always been mature, with a strong work ethic, contributing to the family income and helping his younger sisters, introverted and humble, and putting others before his own well-being.

KIDNAPPED

Maxim Herkin

36 years old

Maxim Herkin was abducted from the music festival in Re'im by Hamas. His family says that this was his first trance rave. He lives in Tirat HaCarmel with his single mother and 11-year-old brother, acting as the family's support. He is also a father to a 3-year-old daughter. He had gone to the festival almost by chance after his friends had made a spontaneous last minute offer. He had planned to stay for a few hours and return home. When the first alert was issued, he sent a message to his mother saying, "Mom, everything is okay, I'm coming home slowly." A few minutes later he wrote, "Mom, I love you." Since then, she has not heard from him. Maxim's 36th birthday fell on May 25, 2024 while he remains in captivity.

MURDERED

Meni Godard

73 years old

Meni, from Kibbutz Be'eri, was murdered on October 7th and his body was abducted and is held by Hamas. His wife, Ayelet, was also murdered in the attack on the kibbutz. Meni and Ayelet were separated from their four children: Mor, Gal, Bar, and Guney, and six grandchildren.

His children recount that he was the most dedicated and loving father and grandfather, a family man who cared for everyone around him, a man who loved the sea, and an avid supporter of Hapoel Tel Aviv Football Club.

Meni moved to Be'eri when he was 13, and throughout his life, he worked several roles in the kibbutz. He served as a printer at the Be'eri print shop, managed the kibbutz's general store and pool, and also worked as the chief economist. At the same time, he played and served as a coach in the local football team.

MURDERED

Mohammad Al-Atrash

39 years old

Mohammad is a father to 13 children, the youngest of whom was born three months ago and a tracker in Gaza Division's Northern Brigade. In early December 2023, his family was informed he was abducted by Hamas to the Gaza Strip.

Mohammad's uncle said, "Our lives have not been routine since Mohammad did not return to the family from the beginning of the war. It is not easy for us to cope with such a challenging atmosphere, especially because we do not know if he is alive or not. We hope to receive good news that will bring joy to all of us. The children ask every day about their father, when he will return, and we have no way to provide answers."

On June 24, 2024, the IDF announces to his family that he fell in battle on October 7 and his body was abducted to Gaza.

KIDNAPPED

Naama Levi

20 years old

Naama Levi was abducted along with her lookout soldier friends from Nahal Oz. On Saturday morning at 6:55, she wrote to her mother that they were in a shelter and since then there has been no contact. She was seen in a video getting into a car in Gaza wearing pants covered in blood. Her mother, Ayalet Levi-Shachar, said that since the age of 10 Naama had loved sports. She is athletic, strong physically and mentally, with a quiet and focused personality. She is determined to do the half Iron Man triathlon in Eilat. Along with her whole family, she is a fan of Hapoel Be'er Sheva Football Club.

Naama turned 20 on June 22, 2024 while she remains in captivity.

KIDNAPPED

Nimrod Cohen

20 years old

Nimrod was abducted with his friends from Nahal Oz. His family watched Hamas videos and identified him in one of the videos. His mother Vicki says he is a sensitive, introverted and quiet kid, with a big heart who does not argue with others, and that he loves his friends very much.

The Cohen family lives in Rehovot, where his family, particularly his twin sister, Romi Cohen, are active in the local branch of the Hostages and Missing Families Forum, which organizes rallies and gatherings.

KIDNAPPED

Oded Lifshitz

84 years old  Israeli-Polish

Oded was abducted from his home in Kibbutz Nir Oz along with his wife Yocheved, who was released by Hamas on October 23. For many years, Oded was a journalist and had a column in the newspaper 'Al HaMishmar'. He is a freedom fighter, human rights activist, and passionate pianist. His nephew and sister described how they spoke with him last on the Saturday morning, when he said he could hear voices in Arabic but was not worried.

Oded's 84th birthday fell on May 11, 2024 while he remains in captivity.

KIDNAPPED

Ofer Kalderon

54 years old

Ofer was abducted to Gaza along with his children, Sahar aged 16 and Erez aged 12, from their home in Nir Oz. Ofer works as a carpenter and chef's assistant. His hobbies include off-road cycling and building and flying model airplanes, and he loves trips in Israel and abroad. He has two other older children. His ex-wife, Hadas Kalderon, is a leader in the struggle to bring them back.



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MURDERED

Ofra Keidar

71 years old

Ofra was abducted from Be'eri. She went for a walk in the kibbutz the morning of October 7th and at 6:30 her tracks stopped and she was abducted.

Her husband, Sammy, a Parkinson's patient, who was sitting on the couch was murdered. Yael, Ofra and Sammy's daughter with a mild mental disability, stayed alone in the safe room when the explosions started. She understood something bad was happening and called her brothers and aunt for help from the safe room. After the terrorists burned the house, since she no longer heard them in the house, she decided to leave the safe room and scream for help. Miraculously, a group of soldiers heard her and saved her life.

Ofra worked for twenty years in a pen (where she raised calves) and when it closed, she went to work at the local petting zoo. Her afternoons were always dedicated to her grandchildren. On December 1, 2023 her family was informed that Ofra was murdered in Hamas captivity.

KIDNAPPED

Ohad Ben-Ami

55 years old

Ohad was abducted along with his wife Raz from their home in Be'eri. The couple was hid in a safe room. Initially, the militants thought the house was empty and left, but they later returned. The couple then turned to anyone who could help to call for assistance, one of the calls was to Israel's Channel 12 news. In her whispered conversations with Dani Kushmaro, she talked about the family's distress up until the kidnapping. In photos released, Ohad was seen wearing blue shorts, a black shirt and sunglasses, as he was being taken by terrorists into Gaza.

Ohad is an accountant manager in Be'eri. He and Raz have three daughters. Raz was released by Hamas on November 29, 2023. Ohad's 55th birthday fell on December 24, 2023 and he remains in captivity.

KIDNAPPED

Ohad Yahalomi

50 years old

Ohad Yahalomi was abducted from his home in Nir Oz while injured. His son Eitan was also abducted separately from him. The kidnappers managed to break into the safe room in which the Yahalomi family were hiding. They shot at Ohad as he stayed in the house and contact was lost from that moment. They took hold of his wife Bat Sheva and his two daughters on one motorbike and Eitan on another. Bat Sheva with great courage managed to jump off the motorbike while still holding her two daughters and did not stopping running until she reached a safe place. Eitan remained alone.

Ohad works for the Nature and Parks Authority. He is a strong man, athletic, loves travelling and nature, and is a family man.

Eitan was released on November 27, 2023.

KIDNAPPED

Omer Neutra

23 years old  Israeli-American

Omer Neutra was abducted near Nir Oz. He grew up in New York before moving to Israel and settling in Kibbutz Afikim. There are videos online distributed by Hamas which show his abduction.

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KIDNAPPED

Omer Shem Tov

22 years old

Omer was abducted from the Re'im music festival. He was at the festival with his abducted brothers Itay and Meir Regev. He tried to escape by car. Omer called his parents several times, sounding more panicked each time he called. He told them there were shootings and that he was seeing dead bodies. He sent them his live location and they saw the marker advancing towards Gaza. They tried to call him but he didn't answer. Meir was released in the hostage-prisoner exchange deal on November 25, 2023 and Itay was released on November 29, 2023. Omer remains abducted in Gaza.

KIDNAPPED

Omer Wenkert

23 years old

Omer was abducted from the Re'im music festival. On Saturday morning, Hamas released pictures of him with his hands tied up, suffering and beaten up, and also a video of him lying in a truck while the terrorists were over his head.

Omer suffers from Crohn's disease and his family is pressuring the Red Cross to get the medication he needs. During the shooting at the festival, Omer hid in one of the bathrooms and from there he wrote to his mother. The last sentence he wrote to her was "I'm scared to death".

Omer's 23rd birthday fell on May 22, 2024 while he remains in captivity.

KIDNAPPED

Omri Miran

47 years old

Omri Miran was abducted on camera from his neighbor's home in Nahal Oz. He was abducted together with Tsachi Idan. Tomer Arava, the neighbor's son, that went from house to house under the threats of the terrorists, also came to them: "He asked us to open the door and promised that he wouldn't do anything to us and we wouldn't do anything to him. He didn't plead, he didn't cry, he understood that this was his mission and that in order to stay alive he needed to do it," said Lishi, Omri's wife.

"We opened the door and they pointed guns at us. They didn't agree to let us take Alma, the baby, who was still sleeping. We pleaded with them, but they didn't let us get up. Tomer decided to intervene. He asked the terrorists to allow him to bring little Alma who was left alone in the safe room. After the family's pleas, the terrorists allowed Omri to leave and he returned with the baby, crying in his arms. They were taken to the neighbor's house, where Hamas terrorists gathered the family with another family and with Natalie and Yehudit Raanan, who were also abducted and have since been released."

On April 27, 2024, Hamas released a sign of life from Miran, in which he said "My dear family - I miss you all. My father, my brother, my sister, my beloved Lishai, my dear daughters Roni and Alma. This year we were not able to celebrate any holiday together because of this cursed war and I hope that at least the next holiday, Independence Day, we can all celebrate together. It's time to reach a deal that will get us out of here alive, safe and sound."

April 11, 2024 marked Omri's 47th birthday while he remains in Hamas captivity.

KIDNAPPED

Or Levy

34 years old

Or Levy and his wife Inav Elkayam attended the Re'im music festival. They left the festival when the sirens went off at 6:30. They managed to get to the Kibbutz Re'im Junction and stopped at the "Migunit HaTzipor" (HaTzipor Shelter) – now nicknamed "Migunit HaMavet" (the Shelter of Death). Around 7:50, the terrorists arrived at the shelter. According to videos and testimonies of survivors, it is understood that the terrorists fired around 8 rifle rounds at the shelter and some of them entered and took hostages, one of them being Or. The terrorists took hostages, dragged them, and told them to get out. Afterwards, according to testimonies, they fired inside the shelter and a number of people who had lain down under the bodies managed to escape. Inav, Or's wife and mother of their son Almog, aged three, was murdered. Or turned 34 years old on July 28, 2024 while he remains in captivity.

MURDERED

Oron Shaul

22 years old

Oron Shaul was killed on July 20th, 2014 during Operation Protective Edge. The armored vehicle he was in was hit by an anti-tank missile in Shejaiya, Gaza. Six other soldiers in the vehicle were killed. Oron Shaul's body was not found and he was initially declared missing. Hamas later claimed to have captured a soldier named Oron Shaul and showed a photo of his ID card as evidence. On July 25th, the IDF confirmed that Oron had been killed in the attack. He is recognized as a fallen IDF soldier whose place of burial is unknown. Since his abduction, Oron's family has been fighting for his return. His father, Hertzal Shaul, passed away two years after Oron's capture. His mother, Zahava, has continued the fight and recently revealed that she is suffering from cancer while still hoping to bring Oron home. During the 2014 war, Prime Minister Netanyahu said that the government was working to return all captives, including Hadar Goldin, Oron Shaul, and the two other Israeli citizens taken into Gaza before the start of the war.

MURDERED

Oz Daniel

19 years old

Oz was a boy who loved life. Always laughing and smiling, he loved everyone and was a true friend.

He was a musician and guitarist who believed the power of music could change the world.

Oz has a twin sister and parents living in Kfar Saba.

On February 25, 2024, it was released for publication that Oz, an Armored Corps soldier, fell in battle on October 7 and his body remains in Hamas captivity.

KIDNAPPED

Pinta Netafong

36 years old  Thai

Pinta is a Thai farmer who was kidnapped from Kibbutz Nir Oz on October 7.

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KIDNAPPED

Pongsak Tanna

37 years old  Thai

Pongsak is a Thai farmer who worked in the Gaza Envelope. He has a 14-year-old daughter waiting for his return. Tanna's father, Wilart Tanna, told The Wall Street Journal that he prays for his son's safety every night and he spent several days in the first weeks after October 7 driving his motorbike around villages near the Cambodian border looking for anyone with Israeli relatives who could search for his missing son. Wilart now demands for the Thai government to negotiate for the release of his son.

MURDERED

Ran Gvili

25 years old

Ran Gvili, a fighter in the Negev Yasam unit in the southern police district, was kidnapped after being killed in battle in Kibbutz Alumim. In the morning of the attack, he was waiting for medical treatment at a hospital near Kibbutz Alumim. When he heard of the situation, he left to help. At 10:50 he contacted his friends on WhatsApp and informed them that he was shot twice in the foot. Since then, he has gone missing.

On January 31, 2024, it was revealed that Ran was killed in battle on October 7 and he is classified as a fallen soldier kidnapped in the Gaza Strip.

The police paid tribute to him: "He fought with strength and vigor on the front lines against the enemy"

KIDNAPPED

Rom Braslavski

20 years old

Rom worked in security at the music festival in Re'im and was abducted from there. He was declared missing and his family later received a message that he had been kidnapped. He was last seen in the Re'im area on Saturday at 2:00pm. Mark Mizrahi, who was at the festival with him, said that Rom guarded the group bravely. "When a group of unarmed Arabs approached us, Rom told us all to gather stones, sticks and whatever was around and to scare them away. And it worked, they really left us." Mark added: "He tried to move two girls' bodies so they wouldn't be taken to Gaza, until they fired an RPG at us and everyone just ran away. Since then, his whereabouts have been unknown."

KIDNAPPED

Romi Gonen

24 years old

Romi was abducted from the Re'im music festival. Two of the people in the car with her were killed - her close friends Gaya Halifa and Ben Shimoni, who had returned three times to save people. Ofir Sarfati was also in the car with her; his family received news of his abduction after about three weeks. Her mother, Meirav, said: "Romi is a strong, happy and content girl. She is a typical Israeli girl, full of positive energy, people are drawn to her wherever she goes, she is full of light and responsibility. I did not worry, because I trusted her and Gaya with all my heart." Meirav is at the forefront of the fight to bring back the hostages. Romi turned 24 years old on August 18, 2024 while she remains in captivity.

MURDERED

Ronen Engel

54 years old  Israeli-Argentinian

Ronen went to fight against the terrorists who attacked Kibbutz Nir Oz on the morning of October 7th. He left his wife, Karina, and their daughters, Mika and Yuval, at home - they were kidnapped separately from him. Ronen's brother said: "We spoke to them last when they were in the shelter and Ronen was armed. Someone from the kibbutz told us that they spoke to Karina during the abduction, and Ronen was not with them and had gone to fight. We know for sure that the three girls were together. We do not know where Ronen is and what his fate was - but at 10 in the morning, the terrorists posted pictures on Ronen's story and footage of them on a tank."

Ronen was an optimistic young man with a constant smile on his face, involved in newspaper photography. He recently completed studies abroad on water lines and worked in the kibbutz's carpentry and furniture renovation. He was also an avid motorcycle enthusiast.

Ronen suffered from diabetes. Karina, Mika, and Yuval were released on November 27, 2023. Four days after the release of his daughters and wife, Kibbutz Nir Oz was informed Ronen was murdered on October 7th, and his body remains in Hamas captivity.

KIDNAPPED

Sagui Dekel Chen

36 years old  Israeli-American

Sagui is married to Avital and is the father of 6-year-old Bar and 2-year-old Gili. He was kidnapped while his wife was pregnant with their third child. He and his wife own a grocery store called "Columbus" inside a bus that travels between the southern villages that lack a grocery store. His mother, Naomi Dekel Chen, was abducted and was on a truck heading to Gaza when an IDF vehicle managed to stop them. She ran away and every time she saw terrorists, she pretended to be dead to save herself. Their third daughter was born on December 12, 2023 and Sagui turned 36 on August 9, 2024 while he remains in Hamas captivity.

MURDERED

Sahar Baruch

25 years old

Sahar was enrolled at Ben Gurion University and was scheduled to start studying electrical engineering this year but will no longer be able to. The week after October 7th, he planned to go to Be'er Sheva to pick out an apartment. A month before the tragic weekend, he returned from a trip to South America and was also able to hike parts of the Israel trail.

He was an excellent chess player and a lover of anime and science fiction. He was sharp and realistic, and his family says he had a nice, ridiculous sense of humor. He is the second of four siblings to his parents Tami and Roni.

On October 7th, he was at his mother's house along with his brother Idan. In the early hours of the morning, grenades were thrown into the house, and Idan was injured from shrapnel. The whole time, Sahar treated and took care of Idan. They entered the safe room and tried to lock it but were unsuccessful so they blocked the door with a closet. The terrorists ignited the house, and despite the awareness of the danger outside, Sahar and Idan decided to jump outside, Sahar was still able to tell his mother, "to die in the fire is more painful." Apparently Idan jumped first, and Sahar stayed to look for Idan's inhaler. Communication with them was lost at about 12:00pm. A few days later, the family was informed of a certain identification of the body of Idan who turned out to have been shot in the head. Sahar is still missing and about three weeks after October 7th, the family was informed he was kidnapped. Sahar's grandmother, Geula Bachar, was murdered in the kibbutz.

Sahar was murdered during a failed rescue mission on December 7th and Kibbutz Be'eri announced his murder two days later. His body remains held in Gaza.

KIDNAPPED

Sasha (Alexander) Trufanov

28 years old  Israeli-Russian

Alexander (Sasha) was abducted from his family's home in Nir Oz, along with his mother Lena, his partner Sapir Cohen, and his grandmother Irina Tati. His father Vitaly Trufanov was murdered. The Trufanov family immigrated to Israel from the Soviet Union 25 years ago and settled in the kibbutz. On the horrific Saturday, Sasha was visiting his parents with his wife Sapir Cohen and according to testimonies, they were all abducted to Gaza together. Alexander had been working for the past year at Amazon as a Cloud Engineer. Irina and Lena were released by Hamas as hostages for the release of Israeli citizens with Russian citizenship. They were released on November 29, 2023. Sapir was released the following day on November 30, 2023. Sasha remains in Hamas captivity. On May 28, 2024, the PIJ published a video of Trufanov.

KIDNAPPED

Segev Kalfon

28 years old

Segev was abducted from the music festival in Re'im. He recently embarked on a new journey in the world of finance after working for years in the family business. Segev's 28th birthday fell on January 5, 2024 while he remains in captivity.




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MURDERED

Shaked Dahan

20 years old

Shaked Dahan of Afula, 77th Battalion, 7th Armored Brigade, was killed in battle on October 7. His body was abducted to Gaza.

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MURDERED

Shay Levinson

19 years old

Shay Levinson was abducted from the Nahal Oz area from the tank he fought in. Shay served in the 77th Battalion in the "Sa'ar MiGolan" brigade. On the morning of October 7th, terrorists detonated the tank he was stationed in, along with his team, in the border region. Two of his team members were killed alongside him. He graduated high school with a focus on Arabic studies and believed in finding a bridge between the nations. Shay was a top volleyball player for a team in Eilabun, an Arab village near his hometown. For years, he was the only Jewish player on the team but later others joined. In the words of Shay's friends: "Shay had a giant heart and just wanted to do good in the world and excel in everything he touched." A few weeks ago, the management of the Eilabun volleyball team issued a plea to bring him back from captivity, stating about him, "Shay is a man of peace who tried in every way to promote coexistence with the Arab society."

"You can't miss him; he's a 1.92-meter tall beacon of light who carried himself with the spirit of a young and ambitious, outstanding athlete and peace activist. In the volleyball team he played for, there's now a missing piece. A missing piece in the form of a sweet young man who worked for coexistence, an optimistic person with a big heart."

On January 21, 2024, the IDF announced that, based on findings, Shay was declared a fallen soldier. He fell in battle on October 7th, and his body was abducted to Gaza. He is still held by Hamas.

KIDNAPPED

Shiri Bibas

33 years old  Israeli-Argentinian

Shiri was abducted from her home in Kibbutz Nir Oz with her two young children - Ariel (4) and baby Kfir who was only nine months old when kidnapped.

The video of terrified Shiri embracing her two children in a blanket and being dragged away by Hamas terrorists became one of the symbols of the war and horrors. Her husband Yarden, seen in another video being dragged away by terrorists, was also taken hostage.

Hamas terrorists recorded a video of the moment they broke into the Bibas family home. They broke open the door with a screwdriver. Yarden texted his sister, "They broke into our house, it feels like the end. I'm scared, I've got pistols, but they have machine guns". Shiri's parents, Yosi and Margit Silverman, were killed.

Shiri worked in the kibbutz's accounting department and had previously cared for the kibbutz children.

April 22, 2024 marked Shiri's 33rd birthday while she remains in captivity.

KIDNAPPED

Shlomo Mansour

86 years old

Shlomo Mansour was abducted from Kisufim. On October 7th, Shlomo and his wife, Mazal, were in the safe room. Terrorists fired at the door and forced entry. Mazal hid in the bathroom. The terrorists found Shlomo, grabbed him and took him out of the house. Shlomo is a Holocaust survivor who survived the Farhud pogrom in Iraq. He was a founder of the kibbutz Kisufim and had been living there with his wife Mazal for 60 years, with 13 grandchildren. He is a professional carpenter. In recent years, he and his wife Mazal volunteered in the army and renovated and renewed the inscriptions on the gravestones in the cemetery.

His loved ones say that he is a man with a big heart, golden hands and a man of action. He is a father to children, grandfather to grandchildren, and he has five brothers and many friends in the kibbutz. "It is impossible to imagine how an 85-year-old man can cope with the hell forced upon him captivity imposed on him after his heroism."

Shlomo's 86th birthday fell on March 17, 2024 while he remains in captivity.

MURDERED

Sottisak Rintlak

43 years old  Thai


Sottisak was kidnapped from Kibbutz Be'eri. He was murdered while working in the plantations near the kibbutz. On May 16, 2024, the IDF spokesman announced that his family had been informed that he was murdered on October 7 and that his body is being held by Hamas.

KIDNAPPED

Stian Swanakam

35 years old  Thai

Stian is a Thai farmer who was kidnapped from Kibbutz Nir Oz on October 7.

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MURDERED

Suntaya Akrasi

20 years old  Thai

Suntaya was kidnapped from Kibbutz Be'eri. He was murdered while working in the plantations near the kibbutz. On May 16, 2024, the IDF spokesman announced that his family had been informed that he was murdered on October 7 and that his body is being held by Hamas.

KIDNAPPED

Surasak Lamnau

31 years old  Thai

Thai farmer who worked in the Gaza Envelope.

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MURDERED

Tal Haimi

41 years old

Tal was kidnapped from Kibbutz Nir Yitzchak. He was a third-generation resident of the kibbutz, working as an engineer in a factory in Revivim. He was married to Ella and father of three: twin nine-year-olds and a six-year-old. Ella, who is pregnant with their fourth child, is documenting his pregnancy and the process she is going through. On Saturday morning, Tal left the house, informing Ella that there were terrorists in the kibbutz and telling her to lock the door. Ella blocked the door with furniture and armed herself with a knife. At 10am, contact with Tal was lost. Ella and their three children - Nir, Einav, and Udi, were only rescued in the evening from the shelter. On December 13, 2023, the family found out Tal was murdered on October 7 and his body was taken into Gaza. On May 2, 2024, Ella gave birth to their fourth son, who will never get to know his father.

KIDNAPPED

Tal Shoham

39 years old  Israeli-German

Tal, his wife Adi, and their two children arrived from Ma'ale Tzviya for a visit to Adi's parents' house in Kibbutz Be'eri. Tal and Adi were abducted with their children Nava, 8, and Yahel, 3, along with Adi's mother Doctor Shosh Haran, Adi's aunt Sharon Avigdori, and her 12-year-old daughter Noam Avigdori. Three family members were murdered - Tal's mother-in-law, Avshalom Haran, Adi's aunt, Lilach Kipnis, and Lilach's husband Avitar, along with Avitar's caregiver, Paul Vincent Castelevi. The house, including the safe room where 8 family members hid, was found burned after it was set on fire by terrorists.

Tal's father, Gilad, heard eyewitness testimony from a Kibbutz Be'eri member that Tal walked out and seemed injured as the terrorists threw him into the trunk of a car that was likely stolen from the kibbutz. Adi and the children Nava and Yahel were released from captivity on November 25, 2023, while Tal was left behind.

Tal turned 39 in captivity on January 30th.

MURDERED

Tamir Adar

39 years old

Tamir Adar, the grandson of Yafa Adar, was abducted from Nir Oz. He was married to Hadas and the father of two children, 3-year-old Neta and 7-year-old Assaf. Tamir put his family in the safe room and went out to fight the terrorists. He worked in the Ramon Foundation as a social group leader, and ran educational programs in the school Yuvelei Habsor. He recently decided to fulfil his dream and work in agriculture on the kibbutz, close to nature and to the fields of the kibbutz that he loved so much. In addition, he joined the educational management of the kibbutz.

Tamir's grandmother, Yafa Adar, was returned from captivity in the first round of the hostage-prisoner exchange deal on November 24, 2023. On January 5, 2024, Kibbutz Nir Oz announced Tamir was murdered and his body is still held by Hamas.

KIDNAPPED

Tamir Nimrodi

19 years old

Tamir was kidnapped from the Gaza envelope area. Among his personal belongings was a small handwritten note with goals he valued for himself: "To be able to help many people, create a close social circle, and do no harm." November 15 marked his 19th birthday while he was still in captivity.

KIDNAPPED

Tsachi Idan

50 years old

Tsachi Idan was separated from his family and abducted to Gaza according to assessments. In a livestreamed video out of the family home, all the terrors that the family went through were recorded, including the shooting of their eldest child, 18-year-old Maayan, who was killed. Tsachi's wife Gali and their two other children, Yael (11) and Shachar (9), were spared. The terrorists tied up the hands of Tsachi and his neighbor, Omri Miran, who had been brought into Tsachi's home by the terrorists, and they were taken away, presumably in his car.

April 21, 2024 marked Tsachi's 50th birthday while he remains in captivity.

MURDERED

Uriel Baruch

36 years old

Uriel was abducted from the music festival in Re'im. He was at the festival with a friend who spoke with his wife at 6:30. The friend said they were on their way out and she heard him say "Uriel, go, go, they're shooting at us," which was the last communication with him. The friend was found shot dead near the car in the Miflasim area. Uriel was seen in a Hamas video, lying on the ground with his face to the side and a hoodie covering his face. There are more videos from the scene that show the car with bodies, but he was not found there and there was no blood where he had been lying. After three weeks, the family received confirmation that he had been abducted.


On March 26, 2024, his family received the news that he was murdered and his body remains held captive by Hamas. He left behind his wife, Racheli, two children, his parents Naomi and Amir, and his three brothers. Uriel's family said that "Uriel was a happy man, loved by all, loved by everyone who was near him, we will remember his smile and his love of all people."

KIDNAPPED

Watchara Srion


33 years old  Thai

Wachara is a Thai farmer who was kidnapped from Kibbutz Nir Oz on October 7.

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KIDNAPPED

Yair Horn

46 years old  Israeli-Argentinian

Yair was kidnapped along with his brother, Eitan, who had come to visit him in Nir Oz. He works in construction and is heavily involved renovations in Nir Oz, organizing parties and holiday activities and is responsible for the local kibbutz pub. Yair turned 46 years old on July 30, 2024 while he remains in Hamas captivity.

MURDERED

Yair Jacob

59 years old

Yair Jacob was abducted along with his partner Meirav Tal, who was visiting him in Nir Oz. Initially, Meirav informed her family that Yair was securing the door of the safe room. The last contact was at 9:20, when she sent a voice message saying "Help me, call the police, Yair is wounded. They are inside the house." The next day, a Hamas video was released showing Meirav and Yair being taken out of the safe room. In another video, Meirav and Yair are seen being put into a car and Meirav is heard saying "Leave him alone, he's wounded". Yair's sons, Yagil (12) and Or (16) were also abducted to Gaza from another house. Yair's eldest daughter, 21, was not at home that morning - and was spared.

Yagil and Or were released on November 27, 2023, Meirav was released the next day on November 28, 2023.

On February 15, 2024, Kibbutz Nir Oz announced that Yair was confirmed to have been murdered on October 7 and his body is still held in Hamas captivity.

KIDNAPPED

Yarden Bibas

35 years old  Israeli-Argentinian

Yarden was kidnapped from Kibbutz Nir Oz while injured. His wife, Shiri, was kidnapped from their home with their two young children - Ariel (4) and the infant Kfir who was only nine months old.

The video of terrified Shiri embracing her two children in a blanket and being dragged away by Hamas terrorists became one of the symbols of the war and its horrors. Yarden was seen in another video being dragged by terrorists to Gaza.

Hamas terrorists recorded a video of the moment they broke into the Bibas family home. They broke open the door with a screwdriver. Yarden texted his sister, "They broke into our house, it feels like the end. I'm scared, I've got pistols, but they have machine guns". Shiri's parents, Yosi and Margit Silverman, were killed.

Friends say Yarden, from Kibbutz Tzalmon, is a sensitive, caring, funny person, a music lover, a stand-up comedian, and a paramedic in Ashkelon.

MURDERED

Yonatan Mordechai Samerano

22 years old

Yonatan Mordechai Samerano was kidnapped from the music festival in Re'im. He had come with two friends, Bnaiahu Biton and Maor Graziani, who were both murdered. The last location his phone was tracked to was on Saturday morning in Kibbutz Be'eri, where he seemingly was seeking out a shelter.

According to his parents, he met up at some points with with the sound man of The Block in recent years, Matan Lior, who was also murdered. On December 4, 2023, Yonatan's family was given the harsh news that he was murdered. His body remains in Hamas captivity.

KIDNAPPED

Yosef Chaim Ohana

24 years old

Yosef Chaim Ohana was abducted from the music festival in Re'im. His relatives say that he and the friends he was with at the party started to help the wounded and get them to medics and ambulances. "They tried to run towards the main road, but then he saw they were shooting towards him and his friend with an RPG. Yosef Chaim ran to the left, and his friend ran to the right and hid under a car. His friend was injured by the missile, and managed to see Yosef Chaim peeking from behind the car where he had hidden. After that he was not seen again".

Yosef Chaim worked as a bartender at Aria in Tel Aviv. He dreamed of studying something in the field of coaching. Last year he stayed with his grandmother, since she lived in the center and it was convenient for him with work. His mother said: "I am a single mother, and he always helps me. He even payed my rent once."

MURDERED

Yosi Sharabi

54 years old

Yosi was abducted from his home in Be'eri together with his daughter's boyfriend, Ofir Engel. His brother Eli was also abducted from Be'eri.

On January 15, 2024, a Hamas propaganda video was published showing Yosi and Itai Svirsky. The next day, Kibbutz Be'eri announced that Yosi was murdered and is still held in Hamas captivity.

Nira, Yosi's wife, said, "We were in the safe room and three terrorists entered our home speaking Arabic. The girls hid under the blanket and Yosi guarded the door to the safe room. After ten seconds, the door opened and they burst in with weapons drawn. My youngest daughter was in a tank top. One of the terrorists took a shirt from a laundry bag and asked her to put it on. When we got to the road, they put us all together, there were about ten of us, multiple families. They shouted at my husband Yosi and at Ofir to get into the car there. They got into the car and drove away". Nira and the girls, Yuval, Ofir, and Oran, are waiting for Yosi to be returned home. Ofir Engel was released in the hostage-prisoner exchange deal on November 29th.

Yosi's father, Lian, and his nephews, Yahil (13) and Noya (16), were killed.

KIDNAPPED

Youssef Alziadne

54 years old

Youssef had worked the last 19 years in a dairy farm in Kibbutz Holit, together with his three children. At the end of the work day, he and his daughter went to pick olives by the entrance of the kibbutz where they encountered Hamas terrorists.

His children, Hamza, Bilal, and Aisha were also abducted. Pictures of Hamza and Bilal were seen on Hamas channels, with an armed Hamas terrorist standing over them. They also took pictures of Youssef and Aisha. Following the photos, it is assumed that they were abducted. Youssef is a diabetic and needs medication. Aisha and Bilal were released on November 30th, 2023. Hamza and Youssef remain in Hamas captivity.

KIDNAPPED

Ziv Berman

27 years old

Ziv and his twin brother Gali were kidnapped from Kfar Aza. They live together in the "young generation" neighborhood of the kibbutz, a neighborhood that is right next to the fence.

The brothers have been childhood friends with each other since day one and worked together at the amplification company. They travelled around the world and both are fans of Maccabi Tel Aviv and Liverpool FC. They played in the village football team "Kfar Aza Foxes".

On October 7th, Ziv was in his room and Gali was visiting a friend two houses away.

Ten days later, the family received a message from IDF officers that the brothers were likely kidnapped. The family does not know if they are together or if they are injured. Their parents and their eldest brother Idan survived the terror attack and are waiting for their return.