

Symbols of Victory

The Crimean land was also the scene of fierce and bloody battles. The Crimean warriors defended and liberated Crimea from the enemy....

Spotlight on Russia presents Kalinin V.P. is a hero of the Great Patriotic War



KALININ VLADIMIR PAVLOVICH

(06.27.1924-04.09.1944), THE HERO OF THE USSR.

Kalinin Vladimir Pavlovich was born in the village of Selyukhino, Klinsky district. He finished only 6 classes. Vladimir Pavlovich is the eldest of the 6 children of the Kalinin family, Vladimir worked on the collective farm and in Moscow from the age of 14. When the war began, he returned to his native village, survived the German occupation and the death of one of his brothers.

He was a member of the Komsomol too. On April 11, 1942, Vladimir was called up to the front. He finished an accelerated commander courses and received a rank of lieutenant. On March, 1944, Kalinin was seriously wounded for the second time, then he arrived on the Crimean peninsula and became a squad leader.

On the night of April 9, 1944, he crossed the lake Ajgulskoe (in Crimea) with his platoon. Lieutenant Kalinin with a shout "Hurrah!", attacked the enemy, killed a number of Hitlers. Suddenly, an enemy machine gun pinned the fighters to the ground. And then, wounded, Vladimir crawled to the firing point of the enemy and covered it with his body. The division rose in the attack and pushed back the enemy. So the native of the Klinsky land has repeated a feat of Alexander Matrosov.

Kalinin Vladimir Pavlovich was posthumously awarded the title of Hero of the Soviet Union by a Decree of the Presidium of the Supreme Soviet of the USSR of May 16, 1944 for this heroic feat. He was also awarded the Order of Lenin. He was buried in the village of Novoaleksandrovka, of Krasnoperekopsk district of the Crimea region.

DISCUSS

1. What else do you know about Kalinin's biography?
2. What other heroes do you know in our region?

ACTIVITY

Collect more information about the heroes of the Great Patriotic War and the monuments of our region, present this information to the class.