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JOWBR [Burial List](#) for 5 cemeteries, 2528 burials. [July 2009]

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Basavilbaso is in central/eastern Entre Rios province, 340 km from Buenos Aires, 104 km from San Vicente, 84 km from Villa Clara, 65 km from Villaguay, 63 km from Ingeniero Sajaroff, 56 km from Carmel and 50 km from San Gregerio. Formerly called Lucienville, the town preserves three synagogues, two Jewish cemeteries, and an operating agricultural cooperative. The colony comprises 40,000 hectares of clay soil and cattle pasture. The railroad reached Baso, as it is called, on 30 June 1887 and divides the town into four sections. The first settlers were from Italy and joined the Russian Jews in 1892. The town was named from Baron Hirsch's late son and the impetus for his philanthropy. The first stage of settlement follows a Russian shtetl arrangement. At the second stage, about 1900, land to the north and south was purchased by JCA. By 1940, the town was 30% Jewish. La Asociacion Israelita de Basavilbaso, 367 Uchitel Street. M-F, 8 a.m.-12 p.m. and 3 p.m.- 6 p.m. Tel (03445) 482908. [December 2003]

- ***El Cementerio Israelita de la Colonia No. 1:*** Located ten km from Basavilbaso downtown on the route to Villa Dominguez, the cemetery is open 6:30 a.m. to sundown. Tel (03445) 481908. Keeper is Hugo Arcusin, who lives a few meters from the cemetery. If closed, contact Asociacion Israelita de Basavilbaso. Eight hectares in size, the cemetery dates from 1895. The donors of the land were the childless couple, Fridel and Pola Jasovich. Holocaust memorial is on site. Some graves have metal ornaments and photographs. Some graves (left of entry) are sheet-metal semi-tubular shapes. In other cemeteries, the original sheet-metal graves were replaced with brick-and-cement grave coverings. Because their roots were disturbing graves, a long row of eucalyptus trees were cut down. One grave of a family murdered during a robbery is worth noting. Buried here also is Leon Hugo Borodovsky called "Sito", a Jewish gaucho, and his father Salomon, who sang for Evita Peron. [December 2003]

- ***El Cementerio Israelita de la Colonia No. 3:*** On route to Villa Mantero, 5 kilometers after the first cemetery. Keeper is Hugo Arcusin. AMIA office at Basavilbaso can help with

access. Rain prevents access to the site in the middle of the farm, originally the Akerman 1 Colony. The four-hectare cemetery contains few graves. Some of the plain gravestones are illegible. The oldest stone dates from 5 December 1889 (Isaac S. Benchetrir). The graves are those of area farmers. [December 2003]

- ***El Cementerio Israelita de la Colonia No. 4***. Lucienville. [JOWBR](#) burial listings were taken from information found in different archives in Israel and Argentina. The majority of the tombs belong to Jewish immigrants from Kherson, Ukrayne and Bessarabia, and their children born in Argentinain Basavilbaso . [April 2009]