

HAUSBERGE AN DER PORTA:

32457 North Rhine-Westphalia (Gerz)

CEMETERY: Kemper Road n the southeast corner past the main entrance to the Kempstrasse.. Used 1618/21 - 1907, 1992. About 149 visible gravestones. The cemetery was the burial place of the Jewish community in Minden and the entire Jewish population in the archdiocese Minden. [Sep 2012]

- Approximately 1975 - 2000 by [Heritage Office](#) (Photos)
- History in [Westphalia-Lippe 1987](#) , p.106
- History in [Nordsiek 1988](#) , pp. 22 - 23
- Geschichtein [Röhs 1991](#) , pp. 135 - 136
- History in [Brandhorst 1995](#) , page 167
- History in [splendor 1998](#) , pp. 401, 414, 445 - 446

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official plaque attached. Translation: Jewish Cemetery. Cemetery of the Jewish communities of Minden and Hausberge containing interesting designed gravestones showing Hebrew and German text, Entry is allowed. You can pass from here to the Evangelical Lutheran cemetery.

The whole cemetery contains 123 gravestones of which several are utterly destroyed. Most stones contain German and Hebrew text, but there are several which only have Hebrew. The condition of the cemetery is quite good, considering that apparently nobody is responsible for it. There are however several graves which are completely destroyed and there are several graves which are (in) such bad condition that it is impossible to read anything on them. Source & Photo: [Martin Siegling](#)

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