

## Return to the Mosel River Valley



In September, 1995, I traveled with seven elderly Jews who returned to the villages they grew up in. These villages: Alf, Bullay and Zell, cluster around the Mosel River, and above, we see Walter Kahn, then 80-years-old, with his former housekeeper, Marie. Marie never turned her back on the family when everyone else in town did, and after the Second World War, the Kahns continued to support her. Both Walter and Marie died less than a month after I took the picture on the left.



Erna Dorn, on the left, is pointing to her mother's name on a memorial wall. Below Gerda Gardner from Bullay, is taking it all in. Below, a German high school student is asking the returnees, "Do you hate us?" On the bottom left, Walter Kahn and friends visiting their former synagogue.

