

October 6,

Memorial Day for the Martyrs of Arad, National Day of Mourning



As part of the reprisals following the 1848/49 revolution and war of independence, a total of **128 death sentences** were carried out **between January 1849 and February 1850**.



On this day, they executed:
12 army generals and **1 army colonel in Arad**,
Prime Minister Lajos Batthyány and **guerrilla captain Imre Fekete in Pest**,
Gábor Vertige and **János Szilva**, who had escaped from the Eszék prison, **in Pécs**.



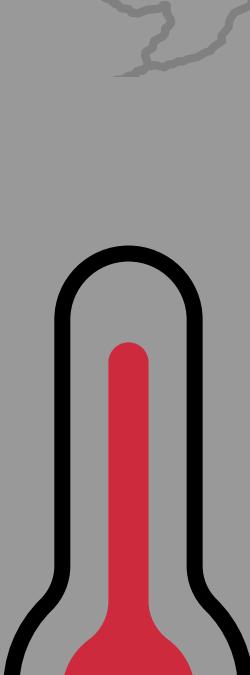
A total of **15** executions took place in Arad:

August 22, 1849	October 6, 1849	October 25, 1849
Norbert Ormai	Ernő Kiss, Arisztid Dessewffy, József Schweidel, Vilmos Lázár, Lajos Aulich, János Damjanich, Károly Knézich, György Láhner, Károly Leiningen-Westerburg, József Nagysándor, Ignác Török, Ernő Poeltenberg, Károly Vécsey	Lajos Kazinczy (son of Ferenc Kazinczy)

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The birthplaces of the 13 Martyrs of Arad



According to contemporary records, the weather on October 6, 1849 was cloudy but dry, with maximum temperatures around 16–20 degrees Celsius.

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