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The next step was to contact Professor Tomasz Rembalski in Gdynia. I did not take very long for a warm and friendly letter arrive from Poland in Canada. Professor Tomasz Rembalski wrote that he was very much surprised to hear about somebody thousands of miles away in Canada who would possibly be interested in a Kaszubian cross, in the small cemetery in Niezabyszewo. Professor Rembalski related that he too studied the origin of the so called Kaszubian 'Omega' crosses and that he and his brother, Piotr, had made it their mandate to reconstruct such an old Kaszubian cross for their grandparents' grave site. Professor Tomasz Rembalski also advised that the museum in Bytów has a very informative display of several old Kaszubian crosses. Written reference material for these crosses may also be available at the museum. I also had visited the same museum in 1998, but had failed to find and see the display of crosses in the museum. Now it was getting to be more and more interesting all the time.

After a dry spell of over two years of not making any progress with my research, it seemed that at long last my search was finally coming to an end. My friend Jaroslaw also went and visited the museum in Bytów and was able to take a few pictures of the display of Kaszubian crosses. Jaroslaw met the lady in charge of the library at the museum, Mrs. Barbara Hapka, who was kind enough to send some very informative printed research material on these crosses back with Jaroslaw to Canada.

Could it get any better? Yes. Another friend of mine, a Mr. G. von Gostomski, from Orem, Utah, U.S.A. also went to Poland this fall to do some more of his family research. And yes, you guessed it right they too stopped at the museum and took some pictures of the Kaszubian crosses. On one of the signs at the museum there is a reference to a display of Kaszubian crosses at the museum in Szczecin. But this one has to wait until the next time one of us Kaszubs goes back to our ancestral home.

It took a lot of time and perseverance to find the information that I was looking for. Another chapter in the quest to find more information about the history of my ancestors can now be closed...but I am ready to open another chapter for another adventure to learn more about the mystery and historical background surrounding my ancestors, dating back several hundred years.

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