Sose Mayrig
1868 - 1953

Sose Mayrig, real name – Sose Vardanian was an Armenian female hajduk (fedayee or freedom fighter), the wife of famous hajduck leader Serob Aghpur. She was surnamed “Mayrig” (mother) by Serob’s hajduks for her bravery and maternal concern for the Armenian youth.

She participated in the many fedayee fightings. In 1898, after the battle of Babshen, Sose and Serob fled to Sassoun. In 1899, along with her son, Serob and his brothers, she participated in the battle against a Turkish battalion: Serob, their son and Serob's brothers were killed while Sose Mayrig was wounded. After the Sasun resistance in 1904, she moved to Van and then to the Caucasus. Another son of Sose Mayrig and Serob killed during the massacre in the Erzerum. Since 1920, Sose Mayrig lived in Constantinople, then in Alexandria (Egypt), where she died in 1952. Her remains were then moved to the Yerablur military cemetery in Yerevan.