

## BEWARE WHEN BUYING A KUVASZ FROM SOME BREEDERS IN HUNGARY

This is my last resort, as I try to be respectful on a public forum and not chastise people, however I need to get my facts out in public. I have filed a complaint against [Varga Zoltán from Halasi-Pásztor Kuvasz Kennel](#) with the NEBIH (nebih.gov.hu), but they could not help. I also sent an e-mail to Ferenc Pischoff (president of the Hungarian Kuvasz Club...MKFE), but have NOT received any help...not even a reply from Mr. Pischoff.

Here is my complaint and I will try to be brief:

I purchased a 4 ½ month old female kuvasz from Zoltan Varga called Óze, and this puppy flew from Budapest to Toronto on May 13, 2018. The puppy seemed fine at first...she was playing and eating and drinking normally, but then on May 20, 2018, (one week later) she looked very sick so I took her to a 24 hour Emergency Clinic and she spent the night there. Then the next day I took her to the University of Guelph (the best place for veterinary care in all of Canada).

After doing all sorts of tests, it was determined that Óze was too far gone and had to be euthanized. I attached copies of everything for them to review...a 15 page report from the first 24 hour Emergency Clinic I went to, and a 2 page report and a 7 page autopsy (postmortem) report from the University of Guelph Companion Animal Hospital, along with all my costs and expenses.

I spent nearly \$4,000.00 in total (Canadian funds) for this puppy, which includes the cost of the puppy, the crate, shipping, and all the veterinary expenses I incurred in the 2 days.

The person who did the postmortem report did state that Óze must have had this problem (starting inside her) before she left Hungary, because it would not have spread so fast if she just got it after she arrived in Canada...it was determined that she probably had this going on for a couple of weeks. The 7 page report explains it better, but in short, Óze had a pelvic infection which caused a urinary tract infection and a perforation (small rupture) in her bladder, which spread to both kidneys and then caused severe septicemia (blood poisoning) and narcosis...actually part of her kidneys had already started to deteriorate like parts had been eaten away. Also she had fluid in her lungs.

As you can see I invested a lot of money on this puppy so I would like some sort of refund. Zoltan Varga sort of offered me another puppy, but his terms were too demanding and there is NO way that I could adhere to them. So the only other option is to ask for a refund. Of course Zoltan will lose money on this deal, but that is part of being a responsible breeder. I am a breeder as well (for 30 years), and I have had to refund money and/or replace a puppy at no charge (due to certain circumstances) to several people over the years, resulting in a big loss for me. But this is part of the dog breeding business...there will be gains and losses, but you have to be ethical and treat people fairly. I am only asking for the price of the puppy to be refunded, which is more than fair...this amounts to approximately one quarter of the total expenses I incurred with this puppy.

I did contact Zoltan Vargas on facebook about him replacing me with another puppy on June 5 and June 7, 2018, asking for more details, but he never answered me. So I contacted him again on August 13, 2018 to ask for a refund and he still has not answered me. I know he wants to ignore me and NOT have to replace me with another dog or have to refund any money. But this is not the way to do business. **And what really makes me mad is; I hear that Zoltan is telling everyone in Hungary that it's NOT his dog that died...that it's some other dog.** So, this sort of behaviour and lies truly reflects the type of person he is.

I have attached a couple of photos of Óze before she was taken away to be euthanized. I still cry when I see these pictures.  
Please do your due diligence and do your research and make sure you have a written contract and some sort of guarantee.



