



## **Paul Julius Francis Gaul, 100**

**April 12, 1892 — Mar. 3, 1993**

**EARLING** — Paul Julius Francis Gaul, son of Nicholas and Suzanne (Friedman) Gaul, was born April 12, 1892, in Earling. He was baptized, received his First Communion, and was confirmed at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Earling.

April 27, 1915, in Earling, he marriage Lena Heinzlmeir. As a young man, he helped on the family

farm. After his marriage, he and Lena owned and worked this farm, raising their ten children there. Later, he was parish janitor, until he retired at age 65. Lena died Nov. 26, 1944, in Earling.

He married Thelma Paschal Dec. 26, 1946. He died March 3, 1993, at Myrtue Memorial Hospital in Harlan, at age 100 years, ten months, and 19 days.

Preceding him in death were his parents, his first wife, Lena; three sons, Wilfred Gregory, and Donald (at age 5 days); and one daughter, Lucille Stangl. Survivors include his second wife, Thelma; four daughters, Sr. Rita Gaul, SSSF, of Earling; Mildred Gromak of Holly, MI.; Irene Goetzinger of Alma, MI.; and Joanne Harding of Pontiac, MI.; two sons, Joseph Gaul of Benson, AZ.; and Paul U. Gaul of St. Paul, MN.; 28 grandchildren; 48 great-grandchildren; four great-great-grandchildren; nieces, nephews, and other relatives.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held March 8, 1993, at St. Joseph Catholic Church, Earling. Officiants were Rev. Cornelius Gaul, Rev. Chuck Kottas, and Rev. Deacon Leo Gaul. Gary Gaul, Neil Stangl, Dennis Gaul, Frank Gromak, Ben Goetzinger, and Gary Goetzinger casketbearers. Burial was in St. Joseph's cemetery, Earling. Burmeister Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.