

Gaylord Pauley, 97

Aug. 26, 1915 - April 23, 2013

LAS VEGAS, NV — Gaylord William Pauley, the son of William and Rose (Smith) Pauley, was born on August 26, 1915, in Harlan. He graduated from Harlan High School in Harlan. Gaylord worked at various jobs, including delivering milk to the Shelby County area, and working as a clerk at a grocery store following a move to California. He returned to Harlan.

November 19, 1938, Gaylord married Aletha Mae Johnson in Rockport, MO. Six children were born to this union. After their marriage, the couple lived in Shannon City, Cromwell, and later Manilla, where they farmed for seven years. They then moved to Charter Oak, where Gaylord worked for the Moor-Man's Feed Company as a salesman for a short time. Gaylord and Aletha returned to Harlan, and in 1950, he joined the Harlan police department; he remained in this position until 1979 when he retired. He and Aletha were also distributors for the Omaha World Herald Newspaper from 1951-1978. Following Aletha's death on March 15, 1993, Gaylord continued to live in Harlan. In 2002, Gaylord moved to Henderson, NV, where he lived in a Senior Apartment complex until he became a resident of an Assisted Living Home in Las Vegas in 2009. Many years ago, Gaylord had been a member of First Baptist Church in Harlan. Gaylord W. Pauley died on Tuesday, April 23, 2013, in Las Vegas, NV, having reached the age of 97 years, 7 months, and 28 days.

Gaylord was preceded in death by his wife, Aletha Mae Pauley; one son, Gaylord Pauley, Jr.; and two daughters, Katherine Kay Pauley and Rose Pauley Perrigo. Gaylord is survived by three daughters, Maudie Behrens and her husband Richard of Kingman, AZ, Donna Thraen and her husband Kenny of Henderson, NV, and Arlene Stolz and her husband Gary of Alpine, CA; 16 grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews, relatives and friends.

The funeral service was held on Monday, April 29, 2013, at First Baptist Church in Harlan, with Rev. Donna Ewert of the Congregational United Church of Christ, Harlan, officiating. Helen Warren was the pianist, and Ron and Carol Moon served as vocalists. Casket bearers were Kenneth Thraen, Mark Thraen, Gary Stolz, Joe Stolz, Cindy Duty, and Cletus Gubbels. Burial was in the Nishnabotna Cemetery, Manilla. Condolences may be left online at www.burmeisterjohannsen.com.

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