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Brother Paul August Scherman, C.S.C.

born: 24 May 1918

died: 2 July 1967

Paul was born in Neodesha, Kansas and attended schools there. He studied at Fort Scott Junior College, worked as a bookkeeper and helped on the family dairy farm. He entered the U.S. Army and served during World War II in the European and Pacific theaters, leaving at the rank of sergeant in 1946. He worked for a canning company for a year and studied at Marquette University. Paul joined Holy Cross in 1948, went to the juniorate at Watertown and the novitiate at Rolling Prairie, where he made his first vows in 1950. He completed his studies at Notre Dame and earned a bachelor's degree in 1951. His first assignment was to teach at St. Edward High in Lakewood. Then he was transferred to Gilmour Academy in Gates Mills, where he spent the next 16 years. Paul served as the assistant treasurer, operated the bookstore, and taught religion courses. His sincerity and enthusiasm made him well-liked. Paul's own brother, Father Charles Scherman, S.J. presented a fitting eulogy at the funeral. He said, *"God called Paul early ... Paul accomplished much in a shorter time than it usually takes most people ... I wish I could persevere in the first fervor as Paul did ... maybe it is true that the holy die young."*

Yahweh defends the simple. He saved me when I was at my knees. ***-- Psalm 116:6***

Simplicity is making the journey of this life with just baggage enough. ***-- Author Unknown***