



Paul was born in Montreal on September 19, 1919 to Arthur and Rose Riopel-Brozemu from Verdun Quebec. They were married in Rigaud Quebec on November 25, 1918. Paul planned to marry Marion Naylor from Leeds England in June 1945 with the permission of the army command. He had one brother Marcel Riopel who had already died in 1938 at the age of 15. His sisters were Pauline Riopel-Clement and Thérèse and Jacqueline Riopel.

Paul was an apprentice mechanic and a member of the Roman Catholic Church, and he spoke English and French.

Paul first enlisted with the Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve on September 8, 1939 and was discharged on December 22 for incapacity. He then enlisted in the army in Montreal on January 13, 1940, and then went overseas to the UK on February 9. On July 11, 1943 he was sent to the front in Italy. After the advance through Italy, Paul went to France on March 14, 1945, to be deployed in the liberation of our country.

He died on Tuesday, May 29, 1945 at the age of 25 years from the consequences of heart failure. He was then temporarily buried in Hilversum before being reburied in Holten on March 29, 1946.

On his tombstone: MON PAUL, DANS LA PAIX ETERNELLE DU CIEL N 'OUBLIE PAS LES TIENS MAMAN ET PAPA

His medals were: 1939-45 Star; Italy Star; France Germany Star; Defense Medal; War Medal; CVSM & Clasp.

He served with the Seaforth Highlanders of Canada.

