



## Mary Archer Sawyer

October 25, 1921 - April 30, 2020

On Thursday, April 30, 2020, God dispatched his heavenly angels to the bedside of Mary Nerie Archer Sawyer in an overnight resurrection.

Nerie, the second born of six children was born in Hertford County, North Carolina, to the late William and Mary Archer. In 1939, she married Herman George Sawyer and to that union three sons and two daughters were born. She was predeceased in death by her husband Herman George Sawyer; two sons, Stanley Lee and Herman Eugene and one daughter, Peggy Maxine Sawyer Leathers.

Nerie was a faithful and a dedicated member of New Saint Thomas Baptist Church since 1940. She dutifully served God during her membership. She was the President and Charter Member of the Maids and Matrons Club, a member of the kitchen committee; where she enjoyed preparing food and serving others. Nerie was also a member of the Birthday Club and a former member of the Female Usher Board.

She enjoyed cooking and entertaining family and friends, always looking for someone to spoil with her touch. Nerie was unarguably a great cook; she would always ask if you were hungry. Nerie was famous for many culinary dishes including her bread pudding, potato salad, rolls, sweet potato pies, watermelon rind pickles and preserves. We will miss those blessed cooking

hands.

She was a very stylish dresser and known to wear her sassy hats.

She leaves to cherish fond memories her son, Earl L. Sawyer, Sr. (Edith) and a daughter, Joan Sawyer Hodges.

# Cemetery Details

## Philippi Baptist Church

550 Highway 45  
Cofield, NC 27922

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 5. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Fisher Funeral Home  
1520 Effingham Street  
Portsmouth, VA 23704

## Funeral

MAY 6. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Mary Archer Sawyer*

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