

Frederick William Sawyers

October 28, 1909 – March 8, 1994

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Sawyers, Prominent Hinton lawyer dies at 84

Frederick William Sawyers, 84, of 115 Ballengee St., died 2 a.m. Tues., Mar. 8, 1994, in a Hinton

hospital following a short illness.

Born Oct. 28, 1909, at Hinton, he was the son of the late William H. and Josephine McCreery Sawyers.

Mr. Sawyers attended the University of Virginia and received his AB and JD degrees from West Virginia University where he was a member of the Phi Sigma Kappa Social Fraternity and Phi Delta Phi Legal Honorary Fraternity.

He practiced law in Hinton for 59 years, was a member of the West Virginia Bar Association, was chairman of the Board of the National Bank of Summers in Hinton, was president of the James T. McCreery Company, president of the Mauch Chunk Corporation and was past president of the Piney Land Company, the Summers County Historical Society, the Toastmasters Club and the Hinton Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Sawyers was past exalted ruler of the Hinton Elks Lodge and was vice president of the New River Gorge Development Association (the organization responsible for the founding of Pipestem State Park).

He served on Admiral Nimitz's staff during World War II, was a member of the Veteran of Foreign Wars and was of the Presbyterian faith.

He was preceded in death by a son, Frederick William Sawyers Jr. in 1958 and a brother, Dr. Thomas McCreery Sawyers.

Survivors include his wife, Mildred Preest Sawyers; a daughter, Martha Sawyers Farish of Richmond, Va., and several nieces and nephews.

The body was cremated.

Memorial services were held at 2 p.m. Thurs. Mar. 10 at the Pivont Funeral Home Chapel, Hinton, with Revs. Stewart McMurry and Robert Glaser officiating.

There was no visitation.

Donations of sympathy may be made to the Frederick Sawyers Scholarship Fund for a Hinton High School student, c/o National Bank of Summers, P. O. Box 220, Hinton.

The family requests no flowers or food.

Arrangements by Pivont Funeral Home, Hinton.