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Sarah H. Swain Scholarship Fund

MTSU Biology faculty: 1968-1974; 1981-2006

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Mrs. Sarah (Sally) Higdon Swain received a B.A. degree in biology from the University of Chattanooga in 1966. During her undergraduate days she also studied piano with Harold Cadek, dean of the Cadek Conservatory of Music. A graduate fellowship allowed her to complete a master's degree at Vanderbilt University in 1967.

Mrs. Swain taught many different courses at MTSU including general biology, biological science, topics in biology, genetics, human genetics, and human anatomy and physiology.

Sally served on the MTSU Honors Council, coordinated the department's multi-section Biology 111 course, and represented the department in university-wide efforts to improve institutional effectiveness. She participated in numerous professional activities, served on many committees, and achieved the rank of associate professor. In 1995 she was named a Fellow of the Tennessee Academy of Science in recognition of her service to that organization. She continued to serve the Academy as its secretary and as an executive committee member. She published in the British medical journal *Lancet*, served as a Tennessee Academy Visiting Scientist in area high schools, and consulted with the Educational Testing Service (Princeton, N.J.) on developing standards for advanced placement courses in high school biology.