

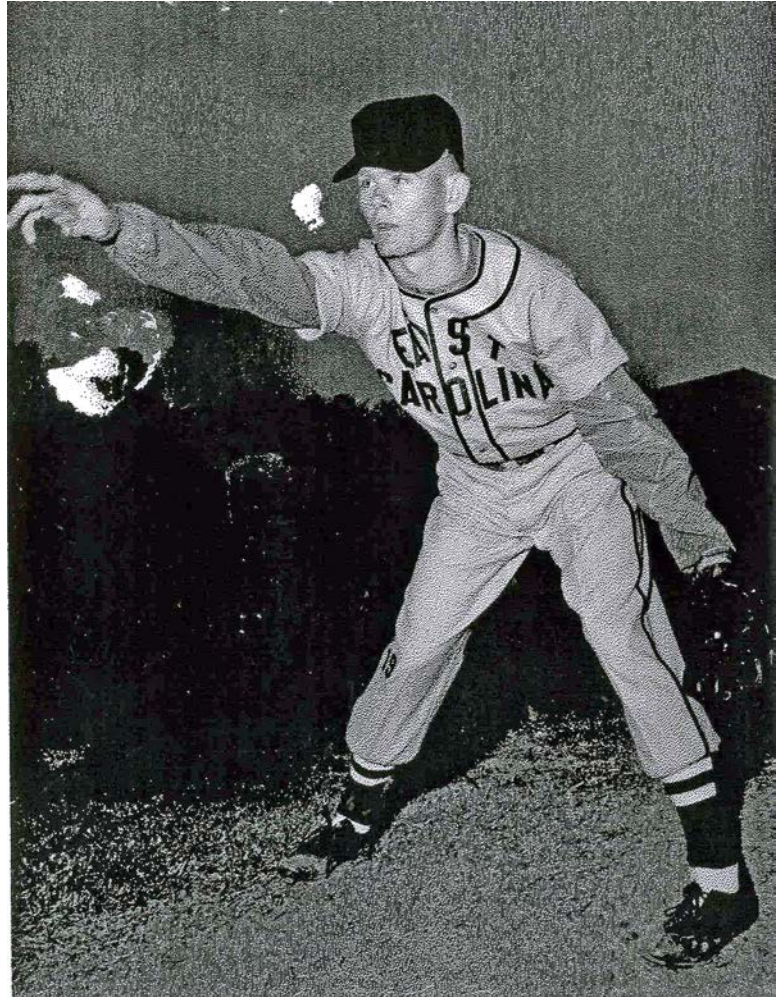
# #1-1 1951 Jimmy Piner, Beaufort

**Player**

**Teacher**

**Coach**

**Mentor**



Picture courtesy of Brad Piner –  
Jim Piner Pitching in 1951 East Carolina

- ❖ **Member of the 1945 - 1949 Beaufort High School Baseball and Basketball Teams**
- ❖ **He played shortstop for 2 years, and outfield before being pulled in to pitch after all the other pitchers were blasted**
- ❖ **He graduated from East Carolina Teachers College in 1954 where he was selected his freshman year as the 'Athlete of Week' with a 4 – 1 record - beating Montclair, NJ; Western Carolina Teachers College; Catawba; and Atlantic Christian. The lone setback came in a relief role against Elon.**
- ❖ **John Hamilton, Atlantic, caught him at East Carolina in 1952 and 1953**
- ❖ **He honed his pitching skills by playing for the likes of Jack Gardner, Mgr of 1948 Morehead Tidewater (TWL) team; playing for Gray Hassell, Mgr of Havelock 1949 TWL team; played for Ray Hassell, Mgr of the Beaufort TWL Team; and Played in the CCL for the Beaufort 1952-53 Teams**
- ❖ **After graduation, Jimmy had all of the credentials to play Pro Ball; however, he would spend the next 13 years in the Air Force before getting out in 1968**
- ❖ **Coached Havelock High School starting in 1969 for 13 years with 6 or 7 years as champions, and taught social studies**