

# Judge Raymond M. Faby, chief administrative law judge



Judge Raymond M. Faby was former chief administrative law judge of the Baltimore hearing office of the Social Security Administration. (HANDOUT)



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**J**udge Raymond M. Faby, former chief administrative law judge of the Baltimore hearing office of the Social Security Administration, died Monday of cancer at his Mays Chapel home. He was 85.

The son of **Mike Faby**, a real estate developer, and Agnes Faby, a homemaker, Raymond Michael Faby was born in Baltimore and raised in Canton.

He was a 1949 graduate of the McDonogh School, where he wrestled and played varsity football and baseball. He was captain of the wrestling and baseball teams at what is now McDaniel College in Westminster, from which he earned a bachelor's degree in 1953.

After college, he served in the Army as a lieutenant and coached football and boxing teams.

Judge Faby earned his law degree in 1960 from the University of Baltimore Law School. The next year he joined the law firm of Rollins, Smalkin, Westin and Andrew.

In 1964 he became an assistant state's attorney for Baltimore and remained there until 1972, ultimately serving as a special assistant state's attorney. He returned to private practice as a criminal defense attorney with the law firm of Faby & Milburn on Belair Road in Hamilton.

In 1971-1972, Judge Faby, a Democrat, served in the House of Delegates.

In 1980, he was appointed an administrative law judge of the Baltimore hearing office of the Social Security Administration, and for the last decade of his career, served as chief judge. He retired in 2010.

Formerly a Lutherville resident, he moved to Mays Chapel two years ago. He enjoyed attending his grandchildren's sporting events and family vacations in [Ocean City](#).

His wife of 32 years, the former Nancy Anne Holloway, died in 1979.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday at Grace United Methodist Church, 5407 N. Charles St., Baltimore, where he was a longtime member.

Judge Faby is survived by his wife of 30 years, the former Norma Ferguson; a son, Raymond F. "Rick" Faby of Towson; a daughter, Susan Anne Linthicum of Butler; a stepson, James Ferguson of Lutherville; three stepdaughters, Allison Woodward of Lutherville, Lisa Harrison of Bethesda and Cynthia Northsea of Gainesville, Fla.; two brothers, Robert Faby of Parkville and Jack Idzik of Bradshaw; a sister, Lorraine Doniecki of Westminster; 13 grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

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