

JAMES HARDIN FAULKNER

Associate Justice: 1972-1986

BORN: March 17, 1921; Louisville, Mississippi

DIED: December 28, 1994; Birmingham, Alabama



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A native of Mississippi, James Hardin Faulkner, after graduating from high school, enlisted in the U.S. Marine Corps in August 1940, and served until his discharge in January 1942. Beginning in September 1942, while serving in the Army Air Forces during World War II, he flew 51 missions and earned many honors.

Faulkner attended San Diego State College in California and the University of Alabama where he graduated from the Commerce School in 1947 and the Law School in 1949. He was awarded an L.L.M. degree from the University of Virginia in 1983. He practiced law prior to serving with the Treasury Department until 1955, when he was appointed as trust officer of the Birmingham Trust National Bank.

Faulkner opened a private law office in Birmingham and Montevallo until his election to the Supreme Court of Alabama as an associate justice. He was re-elected in 1978 and 1986. He retired from the bench in 1986.

Faulkner married Eleanor Jane Wyatt. They had two children.

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