## THROWBACK THURSDAY

## **Fred Blaney**

Olympian 1984

Judo Club **Lethbridge** 

Pan-American Champion 1982

National Champion X 4



Judo Canada Olympian and life member, Fred Blaney was inducted as an athlete into Judo Canada's Hall of Fame in 1998 for outstanding national and international achievements as a member of Canada's national team. His career as a world class judoka began with his recruitment in 1978 by Canadian National coach Yosh Senda and ended with his retirement some 11 years and 40 podium appearances later. Mr. Blaney born in Sudbury, educated in York County, attracted to Fredericton, and trained in Alberta. Following his athletic career, Mr. Blaney has been involved in continuous development of Canadian judo on several levels including as a coach, referee, and kata judge.

