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Melvin Maurice Bruce departed this life peacefully at his home in Washington DC of natural causes at the age of 75.

Melvin was born on February 5, 1948, in Washington, D.C. to the late Dolores Bell (Thomas) and Dudley Bruce.

He was raised in D.C. and attended public schools there. He began his education at the old Monroe

Elementary School, which was located in northwest; and ended with his attending Howard University for awhile.

Melvin enjoyed interacting with people; and even was a part of the old Back Alley Theater group in

Washington D.C. He was quite knowledgeable of DC's history and landmarks, and became a

renowned tour guide on Washington's TourMobile sightseeing tour service, until that company ceased operations.

Melvin was a longtime regular at many of the DC area ice skating rinks,

entertaining and sharing his abilities with others. He especially enjoyed teaching the kids; and often performed at parties as "Icy the Clown".

When his health issues began to cause him to slow down, he became a manager for 7-Eleven stores in his neighborhood in southern Maryland.

Again, he was in his element, interacting and engaging with his regular customers.

Family and close friends were especially important to Melvin. At every gathering, he was the one who kept things fun and lively.

In recent years, he returned to D.C., where he has resided, until his recent passing.

Melvin leaves to cherish his memory his sister Carolyn Hull, nieces Lisa Moore (Andre) and Lauren Gary (Kevin), nephew Ryan Sands (Cristina), great-nephews and nieces Steven Moore, Jr. (Toyia), Curtis Thomas, Jr. (Terika), Devan Thomas, Daijah Powell, and a host of other family and friends who he loved dearly.