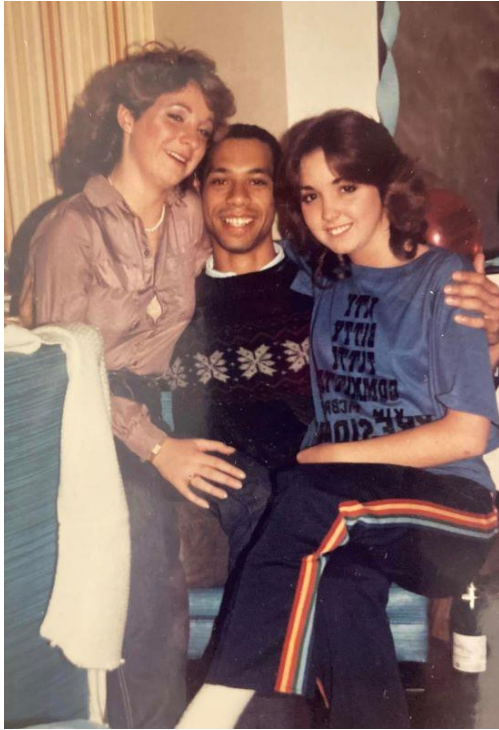


Alan Mathews – March 12, 2023



... If you were in Ice Capades East / West company 1983-1987 - then, I'm confident you knew and were friends with one of the skaters, Alan Mathews.

I'm saddened to share that Alan passed away this past Sunday in Pittsburgh from a heart attack.

Alan had a heart problem since childhood and many surgeries and valve replacements over the years. I'm told his valve malfunctioned Sunday night and he called 911.

However, he passed away in the ambulance before he could reach the emergency room.

Alan was a friend to us all in various ways throughout the years of our skating lives.

For those of you in Pittsburgh, you can pay your respects this Saturday, March 18, 2023 at the Robert A Waters Funeral Home

2326 Jenny Lind Street

McKeesport, PA 15132

Phone: 412-233-6745

Between 10AM to 12PM

While I'm contacting as many of you as I can think of who knew Alan (or as we knew him in Pittsburgh by his nickname "Hobie")... his family would appreciate you sharing word of his passing to his friends and former co-workers.

I imagine you could contact the funeral home on how you could send cards or messages of condolences to his sister and family.

Below, I'm posting a eulogy of sorts written by his sister about Alan / Hobie - which will catch many of you up on what he's been doing in recent years and since the show.

He kept very busy and really lived a full life, sadly over too soon. I'll miss him.

Take care all.

Tim

Alan Wayne Mathews, 64, of Elizabeth, PA was born January 17, 1959 in Duquesne, PA. He was the beloved son to the late Lloyd T. Mathews and Betty Morris.

Alan graduated from Elizabeth Forward High School, Class of 76, and went on to study at Penn State University, Carnegie Mellon University, and University of Hawaii, Hilo. He was the oldest of three siblings.

In his youth, Alan was an amateur figure skater alongside his sister Ellen. They competed along the East coast as members of the United States Figure Skating Association. After graduation, Alan turned professional and auditioned for the Ice Capades. He toured the United States and Canada for several years, and worked his way up to become lighting designer.

Alan spent many years living in Hilo, HI, where he pursued an active lifestyle that included scuba diving and spearfishing. He returned to Elizabeth and reconnected with his skating colleagues while working at several ice rinks in the area. Alan also assisted his mother and aunt in their activities with the Pittsburgh Council of Three Rivers Indian Center. Alan was a contract security guard at the West Mifflin location of

Bombardier Transportation Holdings.

Alan departed this life on March 12, 2023 at Jefferson Hospital in Jefferson Hills, PA. He was preceded in death by his father, Lloyd Thurman Mathews, mother, Betty Frances Morris, and sister, Ellen LaRue Mathews.

Alan is survived by his sister, Elaine Cappiello, brother in-law Raymond, and his beloved nephews, Armond and Jude, all of Madison, CT.

<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/name/alan-mathews-obituary?id=50799723>