

David John Dubois

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Foreign Service Officer

David John DuBois, 74, a retired Foreign Service officer with the U.S. Information Agency who specialized in African affairs, died of cancer Nov. 24 at his home in Annapolis.

When he retired from the Foreign Service in 1973, Mr. DuBois became a real estate investor and property manager in Washington, and he continued that work until his death.

He was born in Cleveland and grew up in Denver. He graduated from the University of Northern Colorado. During World War II, he served in the Army in Europe. After the war, he received a master's degree in education from Columbia University.

Mr. DuBois was a local government official in Tacoma, Wash., and the public relations director of the National recreation Association in New York before joining the Foreign Service in 1957.

His first foreign post was Pretoria, South Africa. He later served in Ghana and Ethiopia, and he was in charge of the agency's media coverage of independence celebrations in Togo, Sierra Leone and Nigeria. His assignments in Washington included studies at the National War College, which he graduated from in 1971, and a posting as deputy assistant director of the USIA for Africa. He was embassy counselor and director of U.S. information services in Iran in 1971 until he retired.

Mr. DuBois had a second residence in Imperial Beach, Calif.

Survivors include his wife of 54 years, Erma M. DuBois of Annapolis and Imperial Beach; three children, Marc DuBois of Laurel, Sheila Heuer of Charlottesville and Jacqueline Dubois of Annapolis; two sisters, Evelyn Bronaugh of Vista, Calif., and Ruth Reynolds of Denver; and a granddaughter.