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**Legendary NFL defender Bubba Smith** passes away at age 66. Former NFL defensive end and longtime television and movie actor **Charles**

**Aaron "Bubba" Smith was found dead in his Los Angeles**

home on Wednesday. Coroner's reports have not yet been released, but according to the Los Angeles Times, it is believed that Smith died of natural causes. He will be remembered for many things but my favorite was his role in Police Academy!

**He played for three teams** — the Colts, Oakland Raiders and Houston Oilers, appeared in two Pro Bowls and was named First-Team All-Pro in 1971. Smith played in two Super Bowls — **Super Bowl III, which the Colts lost to the New York Jets in an enormous upset, and Super Bowl V,** which the Colts won with a last-second field goal against the Dallas Cowboys. Smith retired after the 1976 season, having played in 111 regular-season games.

After his football career ended, Smith became perhaps even more well-known as an actor. **He struck gold in the "Police Academy" series of movies,** playing the hyper-strong Moses Hightower and providing a series of riotous slapstick scenes.

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