



## C. Richard Nisbet, III

May 29, 2018

Charles “Richard” Nisbet, III, 81, of Sarasota, FL, peacefully passed away May 29, 2018, surrounded by his family.

The son of Charles Richard Nisbet, Jr. and Henrietta Whisnant McNeely, Richard is survived by his wife, Patricia Villalba Saire de Nisbet, daughters Cassie Nisbet (Tim Smith) and Elizabeth Nisbet (Dale Reynolds), son Jeancarlos, granddaughter Joanna Reynolds, grandson Matthew Smith, brother Albert Nisbet of Charlotte, N.C., and a niece and nephew.

Richard received his Bachelor of Arts and Master of Fine Arts from the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, where he was a member of Beta Theta Pi Fraternity. He helped found the Piedmont Players theater company in Salisbury, N.C. in 1961 and taught theater arts at Converse College in Spartanburg, S.C. and Rollins College in Winter Park, FL. In the late 1970s, he moved to Southern California, where he owned a post-production studio. He moved to Cusco, Peru in 2000. His passion for the country’s history and culture was captured in his memoir of life there called “Cusco Tales”. He came to Sarasota in 2016 to be closer to his family.

Richard’s sense of adventure and curiosity, positive attitude, and fun-loving spirit will be missed by his family and the lifelong friends he met in each place where he lived and remained close to wherever he was.

A private service will be held by the family. Memorials can be sent to the MDS Foundation ([www.mds-foundation.org](http://www.mds-foundation.org)).



# Tribute Wall

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“ Yes. Richard was unique - truly a gentleman in the classic sense of the word - educated, moral, passionately curious and a loyal friend. Throughout his life person by person, place by place he improved all that he encountered; and, it is in the way he touched our lives that he shall live on. My personal loss is simple. The number of friends that I have known more than forty years - with whom I can begin a conversation in California and continue six years later in New York, without missing a beat - is now fewer and irreplaceable. I miss Richard. I am confident we will talk, but I am exceedingly curious as to where that will be. RIP my friend.

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**Lee Nolan** - June 04, 2018 at 12:00 AM

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“ Dear Richard. I will miss our long conversations of life beneath starry filled Malibu nights, your perpetual smile, laughter and good cheer. You were an original - never to be forgotten by those of us lucky enough to have enjoyed your true friendship. Rest in Peace.

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**Christopher Brough** - June 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM