



## Charles Hugh Isaakssen

June 8, 1949 - October 20, 2022

Charles was a native of Brooklyn, New York up until he moved four years ago to Sarasota, Florida. Charles loved exploring the world around him. All through his life, Charles was an avid reader, researching, taking photographs, recordings and writing notes on his insightful findings. He enjoyed collecting things of importance and kept them carefully as he did his meaningful relationships both with people and animals. Charles was truly a life long self made man.

As the eldest of four children, it was humorously well known that Charles wanted to be an only child. However, he tolerated and loved his siblings and remained loyal. After his brother Frank's passing, Charles wrote, "I won't miss Frank as he is always with me."

Charles was a teenager when he enlisted in the Navy in 1967. As a Vietnam Veteran Charles continued to be involved in Veterans affairs remaining loyal and connected to other Vietnam veterans throughout his life as only a veteran can.

Charles was happily married to Basia, his surviving wife of thirty years As Charles loved all animals, the ocean and the pool, he and Basia treasured their time in Sarasota, and their home "in the jungle." They loved their time feeding all the varieties of birds and living in such beautiful surroundings.

Charles and Basia loved their time together in Sarasota. They called it 'paradise.'

Charles is survived by his wife Basia, his mother and step father, Jeanne and Ronald Campana, his sisters Jeanne and Patty and their families as well as his brother's family. He is also survived by his beloved cat Zulik.

Memorial services will be held at Sarasota National Cemetery on February 22, 2023 at 11:30 am