

## Richard Lloyd Norris



Richard Lloyd Norris, 79, a native of Grinnell, died Sept. 17, 2018, at his home in Titusville, Fla., as a result of a fall.

He was born Aug. 10, 1939, in Grinnell to George Wilson Norris and Ferne Hart Norris. After graduating from Grinnell High School, he received a BA degree from Parsons College in Fairfield, Iowa. He joined the Marines and went to Officers' Candidate School in Pensacola, Fla. He was trained as a pilot and became a captain in the Marine Corp; he was among the first group of jet pilots to be sent to the war in Vietnam. After discharge from the service, he became a captain for Continental Airlines.

He and his wife, Coleta, returned to the Grinnell area where they built a home and lived for many years. Some time after retiring, they made their permanent home in Titusville.

Dick loved flying, golf, tennis, reading and socializing with their many friends.

He is survived by a sister, Jackie Dale of Port Ludlow, Wash.; a brother, Steven of Running Springs, Calif.; and one granddaughter.

He was preceded in death by seven weeks by his wife of 48 years, Coleta; and by his parents, a son Scott, and a brother Charles.

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