

Richard Laurence Reed

May 27, 1943 – December 12, 2014

Richard Reed, 71, beloved son, brother and uncle, passed away on December 12, 2014 following a brief illness. Richard was born in Fullerton in 1943 to Ruth and Meredith Reed. He graduated from El Segundo High School in 1960 and from UC Santa Barbara with degrees in Math & Music. He worked briefly at CSC in El Segundo and spent the last 30+ years working on music and language reforms. Richard is survived by his mother, Ruth Reed, his brother Dennis Reed (ESHS 1958), his sister Jeanne (Reed) Dawson (ESHS 1964), his niece Michelle (Dawson) Lawson (ESHS 1994), his great nephew David, and his great nieces Ashley and Megan.

Richard loved reading, music, movies, theater, and spending time with his family, especially his great nieces and nephew. He was devoted to his family. He was friendly, kind, fun-loving and had a great sense of humor. He was known as "Uncle Richard" not only to his nieces and nephew, but to their friends and many other children and their parents around town. He was an avid reader and a regular fixture at the ES Library over the years, especially during the last decade where he spent many happy hours reading with Ashley, David and Megan. He will be greatly missed.

To honor Richard, a memorial celebration of his life will take place on Saturday, January 24, 2015 from 2:00pm to 3:30pm at the El Segundo Public Library (downstairs in the Friends of the Library room). Memorial gifts in Richard's memory can be made to the El Segundo Friends of the Library. His family wishes to extend their gratitude for the numerous messages, cards, calls, meals, kindness and other support.