



## Richard Allan Groom

May 27, 1950 - May 16, 2018

Richard Allan Groom, 67, of Saint Cloud, passed away peacefully at his home on Wednesday, May 16, 2018. He was born in Royal Oak Township, Michigan, to Hollis Groom and Margaret King (Thomas), and spent much of his life in Miami, Florida. While he was a student at North Miami High School, he performed as a drummer and singer in the band The Castaways, and continued his love of music and performing into the 1990s and early 2000s as a member of the folk music group Relative Viewpoint, which included his daughter and brother-in-law. A man of boundless humor, wit, and heart, he is survived by his devoted wife of 45 years, Linda Groom, and a beloved family that includes his children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, siblings, cousins, nieces, nephews, in-laws, and a far-reaching circle of friends. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Vitas Healthcare, Cancer Research Institute, the ASPCA, or the Humane Society.

# Comments

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“ A tribute video has been added.



**Fisk Funeral Home & Crematory** - May 22, 2018 at 10:18 AM



“ Very toughest video. You'll surely be missed you Richard Groom

—Michael Siino

**michael siino** - June 23, 2018 at 06:22 PM



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“ Rick my friend. We met in 8th grade school band and I have enjoyed staying in touch with you all these years. We have had some good times together. I love you guy and will miss our weekly phone calls. Until we meet again. Bill

**Bill Pelham** - May 27, 2018 at 12:01 PM

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“ So sorry that he is gone. He was always a joy to be with, and it was a real pleasure and honor to have performed with him.

**Aaron Stang** - May 24, 2018 at 02:48 PM

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“ What a beautiful video tribute for a great guy that had a wonderful life with a beautiful wife and children, and loving memories! Rick will be missed by so many people. He touched many lives and brought much happiness. My thoughts and prayers to all the family.  
Mary

Mary - May 23, 2018 at 02:46 PM



“ What a kind sweet soul, every time I hear a song that comes on the radio that relative viewpoint sang It reminds me of your family. Loving thoughts and prayers for all of you. His life is a blessing to all that knew him. Sending you all a big hug I miss you all at SUUSI love you Tonya Watson

Tonya - May 25, 2018 at 01:08 AM

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“ So many great memories of Richard from elementary school and camping, We miss you so much my friend, will never for get you. Till we meet again. One day Love you Jerry and Cindy Graber. God bless you Linda you were such a good wife to Richard, call us any time, Love you too, Jerry And Cindy Graber.

Jerry and Cindy Graber - May 22, 2018 at 04:44 PM

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“ Dear Linda, Chris and Steve  
We are so sorry for your loss. Rick was a wonderful husband, father, friend and in-law. He will be missed. May the memory of his love surround you now and bring you peace. Please let us know if there is anything we can do. With much love,  
Amy and Steve



Amy Hamedl - May 21, 2018 at 02:31 PM

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“ I'm so sorry and sad to loose Rick. He was about 16 when I met him. I watched him many times playing drums with the Castaways. He was awesome, cute, funny and always happy go lucky! I still can't imagine a world without him in it. What a special friend. Linda has been the most devoted wife one could ever imagine. I Love you Rick, God Bless you in Heaven. Nancy

**Nancy Myers Bostick** - May 21, 2018 at 12:52 PM

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“ It is with a heavy heart that I send my deepest sympathy to Richard's family. I know everyone called him Rick but we met in second grade at Gratigny Elementary School in North Miami, Florida and for the following 10 years, he was always Richard to me. From the very beginning, he was a role model, a kind and generous soul and I was blessed to call him friend.

Elyta Grozan Watkins

**Elyta Watkins** - May 21, 2018 at 12:33 PM

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“ I am truly in shock and deeply saddened. There are many wonderful and fond memories of growing up in Miami sharing family gatherings with the Gonzalez clan and all those who were a part of those beautiful days. They are always missed and will never be forgotten. Our thoughts and prayers are are sent to the Groom family.

David Lintz

**David lintz** - May 21, 2018 at 10:22 AM

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“ Jim and Tom Morgan are Rick's brothers. We and our family's are deeply saddened by his passing. Over the years, we have witnessed the boundless strength and humanity of our brother and we always felt his love and we witnessed his concerns for others.

We grew up in Royal Oak, Michigan and North Miami, Florida. All three of us graduated from North Miami Senior High. Our Mom, Margaret (Rita), was from London, England and she kept us together through thick and thin. Rick and his wonderful wife, Linda, cared for Mom in her final days. Rick has always been there for our family, no matter what. Rick's Father, Hollis "Boots" Groom, passed away when Rick was just 5 years old. Rick's love of music and singing and his skills for building things were traits and talents passed to him by Boots.

We are so proud of Rick and the manner in which he led his life which blossomed into many accomplishments over the years. He was very proud of his children and he took them all over the place camping and visiting historical sights. They all enjoyed the wonders of Mother Earth. Rick and his family became staunch advocates for Earth Day. Did you ever see Rick wearing one of his "Earth Day" T-shirts? He was serious, folks!

Most of you know of Rick's unique form of humor and his charming wit. These are just some of the gifts from Rick that Tom and I will hold onto forever. Over the years, Rick could slay his drums, sing with perfect pitch and he could burn up the roads on his motorcycle that had the gold gas tank. We all borrowed it and we could see why he prized it so much. It was quick!

Tom and I thank God for the wonderful gift of our brother's life that is now everlasting,

We will always Love You, Rick!

Tom and Jim

**James Morgan** - May 21, 2018 at 09:27 AM

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“ Love and light to all of Rick's family as the days ahead unfold.

**Dana Taylor** - May 20, 2018 at 10:20 PM