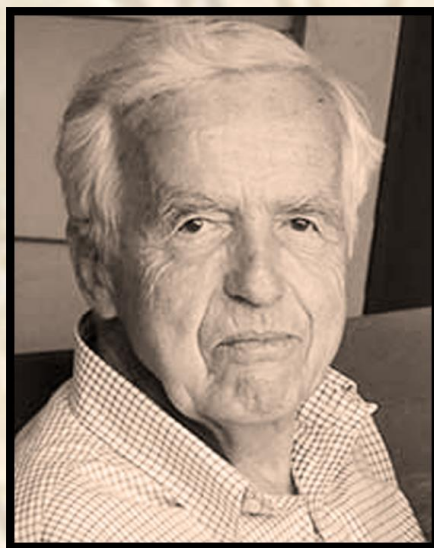


Richard Stuart: The Great Collector

From at least the early 1980s onward, the name Richard Stuart was synonymous with Central American numismatics. Richard gathered together probably the best and most comprehensive Central American coin collection of all time, covering the countries of Guatemala, Costa Rica, Honduras, El Salvador, Nicaragua, Panama and British Honduras. His generosity in sharing his collection and knowledge led to many important articles and books, particularly Carlos Jara's *Historia de la Casa de Moneda de Guatemala* (2010) and *Central American Provisional and Provincial Mints* (2007). Following Richard's death at age 90 last year, his coins are returning to the market, now with his well-deserved and esteemed pedigree.

Richard Stuart was born in 1926 in Medford, Oregon. He obtained a B.A. and Ph.D. in Physics at UC Berkeley and served as staff physicist for Lawrence Livermore Labs from 1952-77, and as a lecturer at UC Berkeley. From 1978 on, Richard was a Consulting Physicist in accident reconstruction.

With fond memories of Richard and his astute and concentrated accomplishments in the field, we proudly present our first offering of selections from his collection, many encapsulated by NGC with specially designed tags for his pedigree. It is our hope that his spirit and dedication will live on through his coins.



Richard Stuart 1926-2016