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Emil Torick passed away "unexpectedly" at his home in Santa Barabara, CA on June 19, 2010, at the age of 78.

Born near Pittsburgh on December 6, 1931, Torick was perhaps best known for his work at CBS. During his 28-year career at CBS, he presided over the introduction of many innovative products - including some he invented himself – notably the <u>Audimax and Volumax audio processors</u>, starting in 1959.

The former Vice-President of Audio Technology at CBS held 16 patents himself, mostly for audio processing and recording uses.



**Emil Torick** 

A graduate in music from Duquesne University Torick then received a Bachelor of Science degree in physics from the University of Pittsburgh, finishing up with an MBA degree in business administration from the University of Connecticut.

Over the years, especially after CBS was bought out and CBS Labs closed, Torick was active in a number of industry activities, including the AES, the National Radio Systems Committee and the State Department's International Radio Consultative Committee.

A musician, Torick was an accomlished violinist and organist, as well as a choir director. He played with the Pittsburgh Symphony, was the assistant concertmaster of the Norwalk Symphony for more than 25 years, and in recent years worked with the Chamber Music Society of Santa Barbara and the Santa Barbara Music Club, where he lived in California.

He is survived by a son and daughter.

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