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## Eric Small

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Eric Small, WA2AKT, passed away on Thursday, March 15, 2018, after an elderly driver ran into a supermarket in West Delray Beach, FL, hitting Eric as he walked out of the store. He was 71.



Eric Small April 10, 1946– March 15, 2018

Eric Small was born April 10, 1946. After high school, he attended Shimer College in the mid-1960s. His broadcast career began in 1964 at WNCN in New York City. He also worked at MGM Records and A&R Recording before becoming Chief Engineer at WOR-FM in New York City in 1969.

In 1974, he worked with Robert Orban to develop the Orban Optimod FM Audio Processors.

Eric founded Modulation Sciences in 1981. A patent holder and author, among Eric's best known products at Modulation Sciences were the ModMinder, a composite clipper and meter, and the SideKick, a Processor and SCA Generator, as well as a number of products for television, both analog and DTV.

Eric was member of several joint State Department-FCC delegations to the International Telecommunications Union where he represented and spoke on behalf of the United States in various study groups.

Outside of broadcast, Eric was involved in the software/hardware development for the visual portion of the F/A-18 Hornet combat flight simulator. He also works on the Intelligent Vehicle Highway System (IVHS) initiative, both authoring papers and developing products related to highway communications.

Eric is survived by his wife, Roberta; sister Linda (Don) Sussma; children Gary Moskoff and Eric (Shannon) Moskoff; and grandchildren.

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