

VIC PERRIN BIOGRAPHY

Vic Perrin was born: April 26, 1916 and died: July 4, 1989

A graduate of the University of Wisconsin, Vic Perrin's first significant stage credit was in the touring company of Helen Hayes' Victoria Regina. While working as a news announcer with the ABC radio network in the mid-'40s, he decided to return to acting, and within a few years was one of radio's busiest character players. He was one of the regulars on the long-running soap opera One Man's Family, and could also be heard on such prestigious anthologies as Escape and Suspense. He is most closely associated with the original radio versions of Dragnet and Gunsmoke, writing several scripts for the latter series. He continued his association with Dragnet creator Jack Webb into the TV versions of the 1950s and 1960s, playing a wide variety of kindly priests, two-bit crooks, soft-spoken detectives, suburban alcoholics, liberal professors, and homicidal maniacs. In films from 1952, he was seen as a publicity-seeking gunman in The Racket (1953), a gay art director in Forever Female (1956), and a bearded pedant in The Bubble (1969), among other films. A prolific voice-over specialist, Vic Perrin provided countless characterizations for such television cartoon series as Jonny Quest and Fantastic Four; he is perhaps best known for his two-year stint as the unseen Control Voice ("There is nothing wrong with your television set?") on TV's The Outer Limits (1963-1965).

For The Old Time Radio Researchers, I'm your announcer, _____. Now enjoy the show!