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**IN MEMORIAM
ANASTASIOS A. TOPRAC**

Anastasios A. Toprac, retired professor of civil engineering, died on October 28, 1999. He was 79.

Professor Toprac was born on February 12, 1920, near Cappadocia, Turkey. He received a bachelor's degree in 1942 from Bogazici University in Istanbul, a master's from the University of Minnesota in 1947, and a PhD from Lehigh University in 1950.

He joined the faculty of The University of Texas at Austin in 1950, where he taught until 1973. He founded the Structures Fatigue Research Laboratory at the J. J. Pickle Research Center, serving as its director from 1963 to 1973. Professor Toprac resigned his position and moved to Greece in 1973 to establish and direct Interkem Hellas. Under his leadership, Interkem became one of Greece's largest chemical companies.

He won several awards for his research, including the 1954 Lincoln Gold Medal and the A. F. Davis Silver Medal from the American Welding Society.

Professor Toprac was a member of the American Society of Civil Engineers, the American Society for Engineering Education, and the Welding Research Council.

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