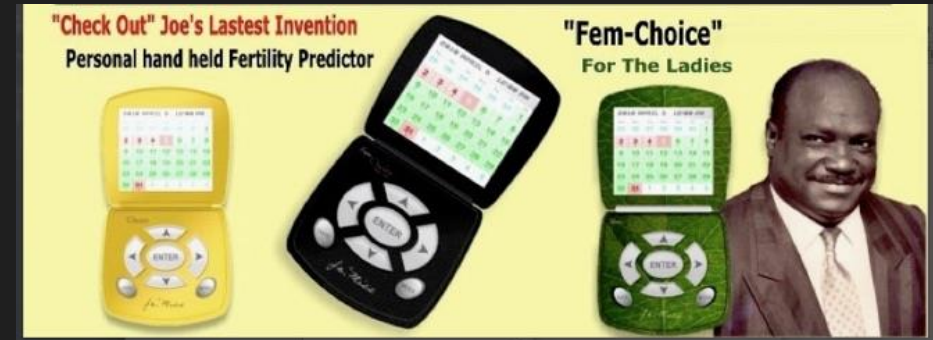


TV Remote Control



Fertility Predictor

Joseph N. Jackson (1929 – ) holds 6 U.S. patents for telecommunications and fertility prediction inventions. Jackson's first patent was for his contribution to a v-chip device that allowed users to block selected content on cable television. This type of technology is commonly used for parental controls.

He also holds patents for TV remote control devices. Jackson was not the first person to invent the remote control. The first TV remote controls introduced in the U.S. were created by Zenith in 1950. The remote was called, "Lazy Bones". However it was not wireless. It was attached to the TV by a long cord. Consumers didn't like it because it was a frequent trip hazard. Another one of Jackson's patents was for a biorhythmic cycle indicator which was a personal fertility predictor.