

Andre Armand Light

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PLATTSBURGH — Andre Armand Light, 83, founder of Lights Jewelers, passed away on Dec. 29, 2006, leaving his grieving wife of 64 years, Honey Venne Light.

He is also survived by their three children: Andrea Anne Light of Plattsburgh, A. Thomas Light and his wife, Susan, of Hattiesburg, Miss., and Gregory Joseph Light and his wife, Diane, of Peru. Mr. Light also leaves five grandchildren, Lisa Light-Brown of Tallahassee, Fla., Michelle Susan Meyers of Randolph, N.J., Thomas Andre Sam Light of Hattiesburg, Miss, Jessica Lynn Light and Brandon Derek Light of Peru, and five great-grandchildren, Jeffrey Cameron Brown, Taylor and Sydney Myers, and Samantha and Zachary Light.

Born in Plattsburgh on Aug. 16, 1923, to John B. and Agnes Light, Andre was one of 10 children, including three brothers, Maynard Light, who is deceased, Dr. Alfred Light and Napoleon Light; and six sisters, Mildred Kirk and Anita Lemieux, both deceased, Valeda Kavanaugh, Yvonne Herkalo, Bernadette Dalton and Jeanne Farrington, as well as several nieces and nephews.

Mr. Light was a lifelong resident of Plattsburgh. During World War II, he served in the Army Air Corps, receiving two good-conduct medals, as head of the 10th Air Depot in London, England, and was honorably discharged at the rank of sergeant.

In 1961, he and his wife, Honey, opened Lights Jewelers, which he operated until his retirement in 1985.

In addition to his membership in the Elks and The Jewelers of America, Mr. Light enjoyed many happy summers playing golf and was a two-time local club senior champion.

Calling hours and funeral services were held on Saturday, Dec. 30, and interment will be today at St. Peter's Cemetery.