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San Antonio, TX

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Dr. John A. Huddleston passed away on August 5, 2002 at the age of 83 years. He was born on March 12, 1919 to Clifton M. and Frances E. Huddleston in Hedley, TX and subsequently moved to Montalba, TX.

He graduated from Montalba High School, Lon Morris Junior College, the University of Texas at Austin and Southern College of Optometry.

He served in the U.S. Army from 1941-1945 during World War II and was awarded the Purple Heart, a Bronze Service Star with the Pacific Theatre Medal.

He practiced optometry in Harlingen, TX for 40 years before retiring and moving to San Antonio in 1997. He was active in the Rio Grande Valley Optometric Society, Texas Optometric Assn., American Optometric Assn. and other professional organizations. He was a member of the Rotary Club and the Alamo Heights United Methodist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Leslie Huddleston; one son, Alex Huddleston and his wife Gretchen; one daughter, Sara Planto and her husband Richard; four grandchildren, John Huddleston, Beth Huddleston, Rebekah Planto and Sam Planto, all of San Antonio; one sister, Hazel Wesson of Tyler, TX; one brother, Cliff M. Huddleston and his wife Mary Beth of Ruston, LA; one sister-in-law, Vickie Huddleston of Palestine, TX also survive him. His parents and one brother, J.W. Huddleston preceded him in death.

Visitation will be at Sunset Funeral Home, Wednesday, August 7, 2002 from 5:00-7:00 P.M. Services will be on Thursday, August 8, 2002 at 2:00 P.M. in Alamo Heights United Methodist Church with Interment following at Sunset Memorial Park. Memorial donations may be made to Alamo Heights United Methodist Church, 825 Basse Rd., in San Antonio or First United Methodist Church, 321 E. Harrison, Harlingen, TX or the charity of the donor's choice. Sunset Funeral Home.