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We can only try to imagine the magnitude of benefits for others resulting from the activities and actions of just one member of the Grand Rapids Rotary Club, our friend and neighbor, our own Gerald R. Ford.

We know him as a young man who grew to majestic maturity in service beyond self.

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