

Lumber co. exec, philanthropist Lou Grasmick dies

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BALTIMORE - Well-known Baltimore lumber company executive and philanthropist Lou Grasmick died at Johns Hopkins Hospital Thursday night.

He was 91.

The former Major League Baseball player quit in 1948 because the sport, at the time, didn't pay enough. He came back to his hometown of Baltimore and started a lumber company where he built the Ocean City Boardwalk, the National Aquarium and Oriole Park at Camden Yards.

He was known for giving time and money to every cause.

Grasmick was married to former superintendent of Maryland schools Dr. Nancy Grasmick.

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