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Committed to serving the UI throughout his life, Hershberger established an endowed scholarship for student veterans to recognize their service. The first Vira G. Hershberger Scholarship, named in honor of his mother, was awarded to students in 2018. Since its inception, five student veteran awardees have received Hershberger's support.