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Park for butterfly-shaped garden in honour of the late Mr. Stratford, environmentalist and community leader Ted Blowes

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Four curbed garden beds, in the shape of butterfly wings, are shown near Confederation Park this week, awaiting next spring when pollinator plants will be added to provide habitat for butterflies and bees. (SCOTT WISHART/The Beacon Herald)
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Other insects as well as bats and birds are necessary to our ecosystem, pollinators help plants reproduce. We depend on plants for many things such as medicine and beauty to our world.
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The Ted Blowes Memorial Pollinator Garden

This garden is to honour the memory of the long-time Environmentalist, Educator, and Mayor of Stratford from 1978 to 1988.

E.S. (Ted) Blowes
Oct. 18, 1936 - May 11, 2013
“Mr. Stratford”

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