



Kathleen Vera Hock Blum

April 2, 1929 - May 11, 2026

The staff of Heishman Funeral Home/Valley Funeral Service sends condolences to the family of Kathleen Vera Hock Blum.

Kathleen Vera Hock Blum, 97, of Edinburg, VA, passed away Monday May 11, 2026, at The Warren in Woodstock. Services and a celebration of life festival will be held at a later date at Patapsco United Methodist Church in Finksburg MD.

She was the co-owner, with her husband T.J. Hock, of Hock Upholstery Company, running the company after her husband died in 1973 until she sold it in the 90s. Vera had a love and passion for serving the community she lived in, and helping those in need. She did so with volunteer work, serving patients at The Springfield Hospital Center, helping in various ways with Family Promise of Shenandoah County, and participating in various other charitable works with the United Methodist Church both in Maryland and Virginia.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Thomas J. Hock whom she married on February 28, 1947, and her second husband, Raymond Blum, who died in 1996.

She is survived by her daughter, Kathleen Hock DeSear and husband Robert A DeSear III of Edinburg, VA; Grandchildren, Kathleen DeSear Clarke and

Robert A DeSear IV; and Great Grandchildren, Kellan, Muirenn, Eoin, and Deaglan Clarke. Stepchildren are Judy Freidhof, Carol Widerman, John Blum, along with Step Grandchildren Jonathan Blum, Jesse Blum, Laurie Stover, and Brock Widerman, and many step Great-Grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Patapsco United Methodist Church, 2930 Patapsco Road, Finksburg MD 21048

Online condolences may be left at www.valleyfs.com

Arrangements are in the care of Heisman Funeral Home, inc., Valley Funeral Service Branch Edinburg.