



## Jacquelyn Elsie Sorenson

November 18, 1936 - December 24, 2025

Jacquelyn Elsie Fink (Jackie) was born on November 18, 1936, to Milton and Bernice (nee Krueger) Fink of Tonka Bay, MN. She lived into her eternal life with Jesus on December 24, 2025.

Jackie is survived by her husband Everett Sorenson; brothers Fred Fink, Alan Fink and David Fink; children Dean (Dawn) Sorenson, Jill (Michael) Davis, and Scott (Loree) Sorenson; grandchildren Madelyne (Spencer) Legred-Sorenson, Kristin (Tony) Brown, Ellie Davis Sorenson, Tia Davis, Alex (Addison) Sorenson, Parker (Victoria) Sorenson, Trace Sorenson; great-grandchildren Kora and Ivan Brown, Vivienne, Sophia, & Rosalie Sorenson and Rhylan Sorenson. Her grandchildren used the phrase "here, have some more" to describe the spirit of love, generosity and giving that she lived for her entire lifetime.

Jackie graduated from Minnetonka High School and attended St. Olaf College in Northfield, MN. She studied music and graduated with a teaching degree. One night at St. Olaf Jackie found herself on a double date, and by the end of the evening, realized that she had much more in common with the other gentleman, rather than her own companion. Everett Sorenson and Jacquelyn Fink were married on June 21, 1958, and held fast to the commitment 'til death do us part.

Jackie loved music of all kinds. She taught music in West Concord, MN when she and Everett first graduated from St. Olaf. After moving to Anoka, MN she continued to teach piano lessons in her home. She also sang in the choir at Zion Lutheran Church. Jackie enjoyed concerts of the Minnesota Orchestra and, of course, attended all musical events that her children were involved in. She had a beautiful voice, had perfect pitch, and accompanied many impromptu sing-a-longs in the basement of her Anoka home. She also played piano in the Sorenson family ensemble at holiday time. Jackie not only passed her love of music on to her children but also the countless students that studied with her over the years.

Jackie loved books and writing of all kinds. In the evening when the family would be sitting in front of the TV, she would be reading the latest mystery, romance, or other story. Her love of reading and books was an inspiration to all those around her. She made certain that she read early and often to all her children.

Jackie was a wonderful hostess and cook and this was definitely her language of love. She prepared wonderful meals for family and friends, and no one ever left hungry. Later in life, she made sure to bake the grandchildren's favorite cookies when they visited.

Above all, Jackie will be remembered for her quiet but strong personality. Her faith guided her through all aspects of her life. When her children brought concerns to her, she would gently remind them to pray. Her family will continue the faith, modeled by her.

Jackie's Celebration of Life service will take place on Thursday, January 15, 2026, at Zion Lutheran Church located at 1601 S. 4th Avenue, Anoka, MN. 55303. Visitation will be from 10:00-11:00 am, service at 11:00, followed by lunch in the Fellowship Hall.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to Zion Lutheran Church <https://secure.myvanco.com/L-Z44Y/home> where you may choose one of the many ministries supported at Zion.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 15. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Zion Lutheran Church (Anoka)  
1601 4th Avenue South  
Anoka, MN 55303

## Memorial Service

JAN 15. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Zion Lutheran Church (Anoka)  
1601 4th Avenue South  
Anoka, MN 55303

# Tribute Wall

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“ Dear family,

*I am so saddened to hear about 'Mrs. Sorenson's' passing. As a kid that is how we addressed our elders and it somehow feels funny to address her in any other way. I have fond memories of her teaching me piano in Anoka. I was not the model student because I never wanted to practice; I remember well the loooong walk (a whole three houses) down the street dreading my lesson because I knew I did not put in the time I was supposed to. However, Mrs. Sorenson always greeted me with a kind smile and never made me feel uneasy about it during our lessons. I recall well her patience, friendliness, and encouragement. I know you all will miss her greatly and am so sorry for your loss.*

*Sincerely,*

*Dana Westrum Oliden*

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**Dana Westrum Oliden** - January 10 at 09:18 AM