



Jacklyn Engelken

January 10, 1950 - January 12, 2026

Jacklyn Louise Engelken, 76, Topeka, Kansas, passed away on Monday, January 12, 2026.

Jacklyn was born on January 10, 1950, in Axtell, Kansas, the daughter of Bernard and Kathleen Fangman Holthaus. She graduated from Baileyville High School in Baileyville, Kansas with the class of 1968. Jacklyn married Thomas Engelken on September 20, 1969, in Saints Peter and Paul Catholic Church in Seneca, Kansas. She retired from the United States Postal Service in 2009. Jacklyn was a devoted member of Epsilon Sigma Alpha, a philanthropic sorority supporting St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. She volunteered at the Capper Foundation. Jacklyn enjoyed quilting, taking road trips with Thomas and was an avid reader. Her biggest love was her family. She loved family gatherings and spending time with her grandchildren.

Jacklyn is survived by her husband, Thomas; daughters, Jennifer Engelken and Casey Curran (Brendan); grandsons, Frank, George and Edward Curran; sisters, Mary Haug, Lana O'Connor, Jolene File and Debbie Erwin (Eric); and nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, and sister, Jeanette Callaghan.

Visitation will be 5 to 6:30 p.m. Monday, January 19, 2026, at Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home, where the rosary will be prayed at 6:30 p.m.

Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Tuesday, January 20, 2026, at Christ the King Catholic Church, 5973 SW 25th Street, Topeka KS 66614. Burial will follow in Mount Calvary Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital or the Capper Foundation and sent in care of the funeral home.

Condolences may be sent online to www.kevinbrennanfamily.com.

Cemetery Details

Mount Calvary Cemetery

801 SW Westchester Rd
Topeka, KS 66606

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 19. 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (CT)

Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home
2801 SW Urish Road
Topeka, KS 66614
(785) 272-7888
info@kevinbrennanfamily.com

Rosary

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JAN **20**. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

PE

“ Jackie was a very special lady in my life. We were very very good friends and I was so happy to see her every time we had an ESA event or when I might be in Topeka. She was a loving and caring person who didn't have a bad thing to say about anyone. The world will miss her wonderful smile. Love you, Jackie and hope to see you again on the good side of the road of the rainbow bridge. Pam McElvain



Pam McElvain ESA - January 24 at 05:23 PM

RE

“ When I think of my sweet Aunt Jackie, it is always with her winning smile. She was loved by everyone who met her. Our entire Engelken family will miss her dearly. My heart goes out to Uncle Tom and to Jennie and Casey. Prayers for peace and comfort. Heaven gained another angel. - Rhonda Engelken

Rhonda Engelken - January 20 at 05:04 PM

JL

“ Dear friend you will be missed. Love Judy

Judy Larkin - January 19 at 07:17 PM

TE

“ The Mattson's and Erwin's purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Jacklyn Engelken.



The Mattson's and Erwin's - January 17 at 05:47 PM

YF

“ Your Saint’s boys’ basketball family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jacklyn Engelken.

Your Saint’s boys’ basketball family - January 16 at 05:19 PM

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Your Saint’s boys’ basketball family - January 16 at 05:19 PM

PM

“ Pam Mitchell planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jacklyn Engelken.

Pam Mitchell - January 16 at 05:06 PM



“ Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jacklyn Engelken.



January 16 at 05:06 PM

TG

“ The Glissman’s planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jacklyn Engelken.

The Glissman’s - January 16 at 11:38 AM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jacklyn Engelken.*



January 16 at 11:38 AM



“ *I enjoyed seeing Jackie every year working the Saint Jude's home raffle. I will miss her.*

Barb Montgomery - January 15 at 07:00 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Jacklyn Engelken.*



January 15 at 01:59 PM



“ *Vivid Recollections was purchased for the family of Jacklyn Engelken.*



January 15 at 10:45 AM



“ *Casey, and all of your family...prayers for you and your mom. God bless all of you. Peace of Christ be with you, from Patty Jordan*

Patty Jordan - January 15 at 10:05 AM

EM

“ I worked with Jackie in the IT department at Shawnee County. My sincere condolences to Jackie's Family and Friends.

Eddie Michael - January 14 at 09:21 PM

HN

“ Holthaus family neices and nephews purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Jacklyn Engelken.



Holthaus family neices and nephews - January 14 at 07:03 PM

MB

“ I'm so sorry for your loss. I worked with Jackie at Shawnee County and hated it when she left for another job.

Michelle Brokaw - January 14 at 06:13 PM

BE

“ Jackie was so much fun to be around. I loved her cute laugh- i loved her dearly and will miss her

Bernita Engelken - January 14 at 02:25 PM

LF

“ I don't remember ever seeing Jackie without her beautiful smile. I remember meeting up with her at meetings as we are both ESA members, she was a good leader and always considered her own as a friend. She will be missed, my thoughts and prayers to her family.

Linda Fincham - January 14 at 01:10 PM

PM

“ Jackie was a beloved friend and ESA sister. We had lots of fun together over many years. She was always so kind and caring to everyone and such a special happy person to be around. I will miss her very much. My sympathy to her family and other friends. I am sorry I won't be able to attend the funeral to. But I will be thinking of her. ❤️❤️❤️🙏🙏🙏. Pam McElvain

Pam McElvain - January 14 at 12:55 PM

WD

“ With love, Mary, Lana, Jolene and Debbie purchased the Treasured Lilies Spray for the family of Jacklyn Engelken.



With love, Mary, Lana, Jolene and Debbie - January 14 at 12:42 PM

VF

“ What a wonderful friend and sister Jackie was to us all. I will always remember the times we had together working to the benefit of those who needed us. A beautiful friend that will be missed by all of her sisters.

Verneene Forssberg - January 14 at 12:38 PM

AT

“ Aspen, Carrie, David & the St. Jude team purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Jacklyn Engelken.



Aspen, Carrie, David & the St. Jude team - January 14 at 12:13 PM

JB

“ Jacklyn and I share many memories of our years together in ESA. When I started my journey some years ago as IC President of our organization, she was always with me every step of the way. Never faltering in her steadfast care and love knowing i would be the International Council President which I was in 1999-98. She never missed a convention and was the first to give me a hug and share her love for me over all these years. I have been in ESA 65 yrs and I will miss our hugs and sharing of our lives. You are all blessed to have her as a mother, grandmother, wife and my friend. My heart and love and sympathy are with all of you. Joan Bourn

Joan Bourn - January 14 at 11:22 AM

DO

I worked with Jackie at the Material Distribution Center, USPS. She was a dedicated employee and I enjoyed working with her in Customer Service over several years. She loved her family and volunteer work. May Jackie Rest in Peace and fly among the angels.
Dianne O'Connor

Dianne O'Connor - January 14 at 02:07 PM

RM

Jackie was a very thoughtful and caring person. She had a great smile that was contagious! We felt blessed to have had her as our neighbor and friend for the last 25+ years. Holding all in our thoughts and prayers.

Roy, Patty & Michelle Moore - January 14 at 05:50 PM

HS

Jackie was such a kind and positive light wherever she was. Thinking of all of her family and friends with love and prayers. Helen Stitt, ESA sister from Wichita, Kansas

Helen Stitt - January 14 at 11:07 PM

PJ

Casey and family. God bless all of you. Prayers for all of you and your mother. Peace of Christ be with you always

Patty Jordan - January 15 at 10:06 AM

TS

I have known Jackie most of my life. I was so glad when I moved into her neighborhood and knew that my kids were going to get to grow up knowing her as a "bonus" grandma. She was an amazing person and friend. She will be dearly missed.

Terri Steinman - January 15 at 02:58 PM

CR

Jackie will be missed by so many. She could always be counted on to lead or assist in ESA projects over the many years I have known her. And, she always had a smile and kind words for everyone she worked it. My heartfelt sympathy to her family. May beautiful memories comfort you as they will for so many of her ESA sisters.

Cindy Rodman - January 18 at 02:47 PM

LB

So sorry for the loss of Jackie ,a classmate. Sympathy to family.

Lois Boehmer - February 01 at 03:56 PM