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DEACON JEAN M. SONTAG September 17, 1933 – January 27, 2024

Deacon Jean Sontag, a retired deacon of the Southwestern Pennsylvania Synod, died on January 27, 2024.

Deacon Sontag was born on September 17, 1933 in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. She was commissioned as an Associate in Ministry by the American Lutheran Church on August 28, 1985. In 2016, the ELCA Churchwide Assembly created a Word and Service roster, into which Jean was affirmed with the title “Deacon,” and she became a member of the ordained roster of the synod.

Deacon Sontag served as the parish secretary at Zion Lutheran Church, Pittsburgh (Brentwood) for many years, and 13 of those years were under call as an Associate in Ministry.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Zion.

There will be a visitation on Wednesday, January 31 from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm and 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm at the John F. Slater Funeral Home, 4201 Brownsville Rd., Pittsburgh, PA 15227. A funeral service for Deacon Sontag will be held on Thursday, February 1 at 11:00 am at Zion Lutheran Church (NALC); 4301 Brownsville Rd., Pittsburgh, PA 15236.

Deacon Sontag was predeceased by her husband, Raymond. She is survived by her daughters, Eileen and Laurie, and by her son, Edward.

Expressions of sympathy to the family may be sent to: Edward Sontag; 144 Trotwood Dr.; Canonsburg, PA 15317.