Sandra R. Roop, 65, of Marshalltown, died Monday, March 23, 2009, at Mary Greeley Medical Center in Ames.

A memorial service was held Friday, March 27, at Smith Funeral Home with Pastor John Epperson officiating. Interment was in Hazelwood Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Sandra Roop Memorial Fund, PO Box 368, Grinnell, Iowa 50112. Memories and condolences may be shared with the family on the Smith Funeral Home web site, www.smithfh.com.

The daughter of Roy and Grace Karr Blagden, she was born Feb. 4, 1944, in Montezuma and was raised in Montezuma, Knoxville and Grinnell. She obtained her commercial driver’s license and drove a dump truck for Jewel Trucking in Melbourne for several years, later driving a shuttle van for the Meskwaki Casino in Tama for 11 years.

She is survived by her children, Kimberly Inman of Grinnell, Brenda Enns of Marshalltown, Carroll Reynolds, Jr., of Marshalltown, Renee Danner of Marshalltown, Richard Roop of Grinnell, and Ronald Roop of Marshalltown; 21 grandchildren; 24 great grandchildren; her brothers, Duane Blagden of Grinnell, and David Blagden of Ohio; her sister, Patty Haines of Grinnell; and her special friend, Myron Goodin of Illinois. She was preceded in death by her parents and her infant brother, Baby Boy Blagden.