Ruth Arlene Waller of Mesquite, Texas, passed away on June 27, 2018, in Dallas, Texas. She was 89 years of age, born on February 13, 1929, in Grinnell, Iowa, to the late Arthur and Eleanor Van Draska.

Ruth grew up in Grinnell, where she was employed by McNally’s Grocery for many years. She was a member of the Eagles Lodge and served as a director. Ruth moved to Texas in 1963 and later retired from Tom Thumb Grocery.

She is survived by her husband Jimmy Waller and his children John, Kimberly, Tamara, Tommy and Ricky. She is also survived by her sister Shirley Frazier and husband Loy of Texas, her sister Helen O’Brien of California and her brother Jim Van Draska and wife Sandy, and brother-in-law, Raymond Meldrem of Iowa, and many beloved nieces, nephews and extended family.

Preceding her in death were brothers Dale and Richard; her sister Donna Meldrem; and her parents. She will be deeply missed by all.

Memorial service will be held at 10:00 a.m., Thursday, July 5, 2018, at Restland Memorial Park.