

AMSOUTH BANCORPORATION  
Form 8-K  
April 17, 2003

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**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, DC 20549

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**FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT**

**PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE  
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

**Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported):**

April 17, 2003

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**AMSOUTH BANCORPORATION**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**DELAWARE**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

**1-7476**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**63-0591257**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**AMSOUTH CENTER**  
**1900 FIFTH AVENUE NORTH**  
**BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA 35203**

(Address, including zip code, of principal executive office)

**Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (205) 320-7151**

**Not applicable**

**(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)**

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**Item 5. Other Events.**

AmSouth Bancorporation ( AmSouth ) is filing this Current Report on Form 8-K to report the following:

On April 17, 2003 the Board of Directors of AmSouth approved the repurchase of up to 25 million shares of AmSouth s outstanding common stock. The shares may be repurchased in the open market or in negotiated transactions. The reacquired shares may be held as treasury shares and reissued for various corporate purposes, including employee benefit programs. AmSouth has been repurchasing shares based on a 25 million share authorization approved in September 2001. As of April 16, 2003 there were 3.6 million shares remaining available for purchase under that authorization.

**SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

**AMSOUTH BANCORPORATION**

Date: April 17, 2003

By: /s/ CARL L. GORDAY

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Name: Carl L. Gorday

Title: Assistant Secretary