

**Mendenhall Cemeteries Association, Inc.**  
**P.O. Box 838, Mendenhall, MS 39114**  
**[www.cityofmendenhall.com](http://www.cityofmendenhall.com)**

**Annual Meeting April 28, 2009**  
**6:00 PM at Mendenhall Community Center**



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**A Message from President Thomas Layton**

This past year was a busy year with twenty-eight burials occurring in our cemetery, more than any other year according to our records. We lost some very good people who were friends of the Association.

There is a problem collecting the \$100 burial fee because some of the funeral homes are no longer telling people there is a fee. This fee is necessary because the operation of the cemetery is run on donations. We appreciate those who give every year. Many never contribute even though they have family members buried here.

Corner stones in the old cemetery are used to identify burial plots. Families need to check these stones every year making sure they are visible at ground level. If these plots are not marked the Association cannot and will not help the funeral homes locate the plot where your loved one is to be buried. Location of grave sites is beyond our responsibilities but we provided this service whenever possible.

The Cemetery Board responsibilities are:

- ✿ Maintenance and improvement of the cemeteries.
- ✿ Establishing rules and regulations for smooth operation.
- ✿ Building the perpetual care fund through donations and selling new available plots.
- ✿ Acquiring additional property as needed.

Cemetery West includes 1.744 acres. It provides 729 new burial plots. Fifty-seven of these sites have been sold. Twelve burials have occurred in this cemetery.

Larry Grant, Senator Perry Lee, and Sarah Shoemaker rotate off the Board of Directors this year. We thank them for the service they have rendered for the past three years. Two members resigned this year so we have to replace three members for three year terms, one for a two year term, and one for a one year term.

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**Want to  
serve on the  
Board of  
Directors?**

**Contact  
Sarah  
Shoemaker  
(601) 847-3331**

Please don't forget to make your donations to the Mendenhall Cemeteries Association, Inc., so our Perpetual Fund will continue to grow to the point that our expenses can be paid from the interest earned. An abbreviated Financial Report follows. A detailed Financial Report will be furnished at the Annual Meeting on April 28, 2009. See you at the Community Center at 6:00 PM. Let your voice be heard.

Thomas Layton

Money To Burn?  
Put it to good use in the  
Cemetery Fund



### Financial Report

For year Ending June 30, 2008

Beginning Checking Acct. Balance as of 07/01/2007	\$13,808.73
Operating Income	29,572.94
Operating Expenditures	13,975.67
Certificates of Deposit Purchase	7,962.99

Ending Checking Acct. Balance as of 6/30/2008 21,443.01

#### Perpetual Fund

Certificate of Deposits	\$ 86,069.60
Interest Income from Certificate of Deposit Investments	3,818.67
Total Certificate of Deposits Investments 6/30/2008	89,888.27

**Total Cemetery Funds Balance \$111,331.28**

#### Memorial Cards

**In lieu of flowers Memorial Cards are still available. Send a donation to the Mendenhall Cemeteries Association, Inc., P.O. Box 838, Mendenhall, MS 39114, along with the name of the person or persons you wish to memorialize. The Association will send a memorial card in your name to the person or persons you designate.**



## Memorial Day 2008



### Our Veterans were honored.

Veterans buried in Mendenhall Cemeteries served in Civil War, Spanish-American War, World War I, World War II, Korean War, and the Vietnam War. On May 26, 2008, our Veterans were honored. The townspeople gathered at the Cemetery and were welcomed by Mayor Randall Neely. Rev. Rodney Anderson, Pastor First Baptist Church led us in prayer. Flags were presented by Boy Scouts and Larry Munn led the Pledge to the American Flag. Nina Grubbs sang our National Anthem. Lauren Wallace, Mendenhall's Miss Hospitality, led the pledge to the Christian Flag.

Pledge to the Bible was led by Sawyer Sumrall followed by "I Pledge Allegiance to the Lamb" performed by Matthew Rook. Rev. Brad Hodges, Pastor United Methodist Church gave a devotion and Eula Mae Dyar read "Let Freedom Ring". Senator Perry Lee recognized our Veterans past and present. Julian Buckley and Adrian Weathersby played taps. The benediction was given by Rev. Eric Gervais, Pastor of Main Street Baptist Church. Caps given to the veterans were furnished by donations from: Peoples Bank, Priority One Bank, McGuffee's Drugs, Broadhead's (continued page 4)







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### Continued Our Veterans-----

Building Supplies, Service Rexall  
Drugs, Tom Layton, Leslie Magee,  
Steven and Deborah Ammann in  
memory of Sidney D. Davis, Sr.  
and A.W. Gary, Jr.

The tribute was sincere and very  
well done. Thank you Tom  
Layton, Jané Layton, and Geneva  
Williamson for planning and

organizing this event. Thank you  
to those who supported,  
participated, and helped in any  
way with this Celebration.

#### Flags

The flags for this  
Celebration were donated  
by Evelyn Crawford and  
Woodman of the World  
Foundation. Thank you.

### A Few Photos on Memorial Day

