RICHARD BENNETT JR.
Richard Bennett Jr. passed away at the age of 46.
He was the son of Richard Bennett Sr. and the late Patricia Bennett.
He is survived by his wife, Amy Word Bennett; a daughter, Savannah Bennett; and four sons, Richard Curtis, Andrew, Christopher and John Austin Bennett.
He had two grandsons, Nicholas and Caden Bennett; two brothers, Henry and Joey Bennett; and one sister, Katrina Fennell.
Richard graduated from Yazoo City High School and worked as a land surveyor.
Services were held at Trinity Pentecostal Church of God and was laid to rest next to his beloved mother.

OTHA HOOVER SR.
Otha Hoover Sr., 87, died on Jan. 26, 2012.
Funeral services were held Wednesday at Piney Spring M.B. Church with Elder Leroy Gibson officiating. Burial followed at the church cemetery under the direction of Century Funeral Home.
Mr. Hoover was born on July 14, 1924 to the late Shelby Britten and Octoria Hoover in Lexington.
He declared his devotion to the Lord early in life and joined Piney Spring M.B. Church. Later he was crowned as Deacon and faithfully held that position until his death.
He was a dedicated Sunday School teacher and Church Treasurer.
In his early years, he worked as a transporter of day laborers. He was later employed by Black Creek Charcoal Co. His most prized employer was Yazoo Valley Electric as a lineman for 20 years before retiring.
He was also a dedicated member of the Masons and served at the Watergrove Lodge #533 as Wishful Master.
He is preceded in death by two brothers, Willie B. and Henry; and sister, Susie Earnestine.
Survivors include his wife of 67 years, Lucy Virginia; three children, Otha Jr., Phillip and Dorothy, all of Chicago; four grandchildren; six great grandchildren; sisters, Ada Frances, Gibson, Odean Johnson of Saginaw, Mich. and Kathleen Jones of Las Vegas; and a host of family and friends.
Honorary pallbearers were Otha Hoover Jr., Phillip R. Hoover, Derrill Hoover, Phillip Hoover, Britten Hoover and Henry Anderson.
Pallbearers were nephews and friends.

FREDDIE TAYLOR SR.
Freddie Lee Taylor Sr., 56, of Yazoo City, died on Jan. 28, 2012.
Funeral services were held Thursday at the New Zion Fellowship Hall with Rev. Anthony Brown officiating. Burial followed Christian Grove Cemetery under the direction of Century Funeral Home.
Mr. Taylor was born on April 18, 1955 to the late Rosie Mary Taylor and Willie Murphy.
He received his early Christian foundation at the Christian Grove M.B. Church in Yazoo City. He attended the county school system in Yazoo County. During his early years, he was employed in various trades in Yazoo City.
He was preceded in death by his siblings, Dorothy Jean Hawkins, Willard Taylor, Jessie Taylor,

Wayne Taylor and Sherman Taylor.
Survivors include his wife, Carolyn Taylor of Kinston, N.C.; two sons, Freddie L. Taylor Jr. of Kinston, N.C., and Teddie L. Taylor of New Bern, N.C.; six brothers, Sylvester Taylor, William Taylor, Roger Murphy, Johnny Taylor, James Nelson, all of Mississippi and Sammy Taylor of Greenville; sister, Gennie Williams of Yazoo City; six grandchildren; and a host of family and friends.
Honorary pallbearers were his brothers and nephews.
Pallbearers were Sylvester Taylor, Rufus Williams, John Walker Sr., John Walker Jr., Travis Johnson and Victor Granderson.