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State Inmate Dies at Central Mississippi Correctional Facility

Jackson – Mississippi Department of Corrections officials report that state inmate **Tommy Thomas, MDOC # L3290A**, died Monday, February 3, 2003 at approximately 3:00 p.m., at the Central Mississippi Correctional Facility's Reception and Classification Unit at Pearl where he was being processed in as a new prisoner. A provisional autopsy report indicates that Thomas, a 42-year-old black male, died of pancreatic cancer. Thomas was serving a life sentence from Holmes county for homicide.