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UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13G

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

(Amendment No. 23) *

PROTECTIVE LIFE CORPORATION

(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock (Title of Class of Securities)

743674-10-3 -----(CUSIP Number)

Not Applicable

(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:

- [X] Rule 13d-1(b)
- [] Rule 13d-1(c)
- [] Rule 13d-1(d)

*The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter the disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required in the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

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NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS.

I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY). AmSouth Bancorporation No. 63-0591257 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (SEE INSTRUCTIONS) (a) [_] (b) [_] _____ SEC USE ONLY 3 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION Delaware SOLE VOTING POWER 5 NUMBER OF -0-SHARES -----SHARED VOTING POWER BENEFICIALLY 6 5,418,417 OWNED BY _____ EACH SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER REPORTING -0-PERSON ______ SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER WITH 8 5,531,610 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON 5,925,298 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES 10 (SEE INSTRUCTIONS) [_] PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9) 11 8.6% ______ TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (SEE INSTRUCTIONS) 12 HС ______

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2	CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (SEE INSTRUCTIONS) (a) [_] (b) [_]							
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4	CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION Alabama							
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AMENDMENT NO. 23

TO

STATEMENT ON SCHEDULE 13G

FILED WITH THE

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

ON BEHALF OF

AMSOUTH BANCORPORATION

AND

AMSOUTH BANK

Report for the Calendar Year Ended December 31, 2001

Item 1(a) Name of Issuer:

Protective Life Corporation

Item 1(b) Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices:

2801 Highway 280 South Birmingham, Alabama 35223

Item 2(a) Name of Persons Filing:

AmSouth Bancorporation

AmSouth Bank

Item 2(b) Address of Principal Business Office or, if none, Residence:

AmSouth Bancorporation AmSouth/Sonat Tower 1900 Fifth Avenue North Birmingham, Alabama 35203

AmSouth Bank AmSouth/Sonat Tower

Birmingham, Alabama 35203

Item 2(c) Citizenship:

AmSouth Bancorporation is a Delaware corporation. AmSouth Bank is a bank organized under the laws of the State of Alabama.

Item 2(d) Title of Class of Securities:

Common stock

Item 2(e) CUSIP Number: 743674-10-3

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Item 3			ement is filed pursuant to Rules 1 check whether the person filing i				
	(a)	[]	Broker or Dealer registered under Section 15 of the Act (15 U.S.C. 780)				
	(b)	[X]	Bank as defined in Section 3(a)(6 U.S.C. 78c)) of the Act (15			
	(c)	[]	Insurance Company as defined in Section 3(a)(19) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c)				
	(d)	[]	Investment Company registered under Section 8 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-8)				
	(e)	[]	An investment adviser in accordance (S)240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(E)	ce with			
	(f)	[]	An employee benefit plan or endowment fund in accordance with (S)240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(F)				
	(g)	[X]	A parent holding company or control person in accordance with (S)240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(G)				
	(h)	[]	A savings association as defined the Federal Deposit Insurance Act				
	(i)	[]	A church plan that is excluded from the definition of an investment company under section 3(c)(14) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-3)				
	(j)	[]	Group, in accordance with (S)240.	13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(J)			
Item 4	Ownersh	ip					
	(a) Amount Beneficially Owned:						
			AmSouth Bancorporation: AmSouth Bank:	5,925,298 5,925,298			
	(b) Percent of Class:						
			AmSouth Bancorporation: AmSouth Bank:	8.6% 8.6%			
	(c) Number of shares as to which the person has:						
(i) sole power to vote or to direct the vote:							
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(ii) shared power to vote or to direct the vote:

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AmSouth Bancorporation: 5,418,417 AmSouth Bank: 5,418,417

(iii) sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of:

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AmSouth Bancorporation: 5,531,610
AmSouth Bank: 5,531,610

Pursuant to Rule 13d-4, it is hereby declared that the filing of this Statement shall not be construed as an admission that AmSouth Bancorporation or AmSouth Bank is, for the purpose of Sections 13(d) or 13(g) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the beneficial owner of any securities covered by this Statement.

Item 5 Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class

Not applicable

Item 6 Ownership of More than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person ----

All of the shares covered by this Statement are held by trusts and estates of which AmSouth Bancorporation's subsidiary, AmSouth Bank, is a fiduciary. No single one of these trusts and estates holds as much as five percent of the class. Generally, under the terms of the instrument establishing each such trust or estate, dividends on and proceeds from the sale of securities held by the trust or estate are paid to it, with distribution of any such amounts to beneficiaries thereof being made from the trust or estate pursuant to the terms of the governing instrument.

Acquired the Security Being Reported on by the Parent Holding Company or Control Person

See Exhibit 1.

Item 8 Identification and Classification of Members of the Group $____$

Not applicable.

Item 9 Notice of Dissolution of Group

Not applicable.

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Item 10 Certification

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were acquired and are held in the ordinary course of business, and were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities, and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

Signatures:

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this Statement is true, complete and correct.

February 14, 2002
----Date

AMSOUTH BANCORPORATION

By: /s/ Carl L. Gorday
----Signature

Carl L. Gorday, Assistant Secretary
----Name/Title

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After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this Statement is true, complete and correct.

February 14, 2002
----Date

AMSOUTH BANK

By: /s/ Carl L. Gorday

Signature

Carl L. Gorday, Assistant Secretary
----Name/Title

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Report for the Calendar Year Ended December 31, 2001

The securities covered by this Statement are held in a fiduciary capacity by the following subsidiary of AmSouth Bancorporation, which is a bank as defined in Section 3(a)(6) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and classified in Item 3(b) of Schedule 13G:

AmSouth Bank

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EXHIBIT 2
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The undersigned, AmSouth Bancorporation and AmSouth Bank, hereby agree that the foregoing Statement on Schedule $13\mathrm{G}$ is filed on behalf of each of them.

AMSOUTH BANCORPORATION

By: /s/ Carl L. Gorday
----Carl L. Gorday, Assistant Secretary

AMSOUTH BANK

By: /s/ Carl L. Gorday
----Carl L. Gorday, Assistant Secretary