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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

May 1, 2002 Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

TRUSTMARK CORPORATION (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Mississippi (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 0-3683 (Commission File Number) 64-0471500 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

248 East Capitol Street

Jackson, MS 39201

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

(601) 354-5111 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Item 5. Other Events

On May 1, 2002, Trustmark Corporation announced that Moody's Investors Service and Standard & Poor's have assigned investment grade ratings to the company and its lead bank subsidiary, Trustmark National Bank. These are first time ratings from both Moody's and Standard & Poor's.

Moody's assigned its Baal issuer rating to Trustmark Corporation and the following ratings to Trustmark National Bank: A3 long-term deposits, and Prime-2 short-term deposits. Standard & Poor's assigned its BBB+/A-2 counterparty ratings to Trustmark Corporation and its A-/A-2 counterparty ratings to Trustmark National Bank.

Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c) The following exhibit is filed as part of this Form 8-K.

Exhibit No. Description

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99 Press release dated May 1, 2002

Exhibit No. 99

Trustmark News Release FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE May 1, 2002

TRUSTMARK CORPORATION RECEIVES INVESTMENT GRADE RATINGS FROM MOODY'S AND STANDARD & POOR'S

Jackson, MS - Trustmark Corporation (Nasdaq: TRMK) announced that Moody's Investors Service and Standard & Poor's have assigned investment grade ratings to the company and its lead bank subsidiary, Trustmark National Bank. These are first time ratings from both Moody's and Standard & Poor's.

Richard G. Hickson, Chairman and CEO, stated, "We are pleased with these investment grade ratings as we believe they affirm our intrinsic strength and strong financial fundamentals."

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Trustmark Corporation is a financial services company providing banking, investment, and insurance solutions through over 150 offices and 2,400 associates in Mississippi and Tennessee. For additional information, visit Trustmark's web site at www.trustmark.com.

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SIGNATURES

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.

TRUSTMARK CORPORATION

BY:	/s/ Richard G. Hickson	BY:	/s/ Zach L. Wasson
	Richard G. Hickson		Zach L. Wasson
	Chairman of the Board, President		Treasurer (Principal
	& Chief Executive Officer		Financial Officer)

DATE: May 3, 2002 DATE: May 3, 2002