

MISSOURI STATE BOARD OF HEALTH
BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS
CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

PLACE OF DEATH
County Jasper
Township Asplin
or
Village
or
City Hell City (NO. West 1st St. St.; Ward)

Registration District No. 417 File No. 10847
Primary Registration District No. 3021 Registered No. 47

[If death occurred in a hospital or institution, give its NAME instead of street and number]

FULL NAME Thomas Fielding Nelson

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

SEX Male COLOR OR RACE white SINGLE MARRIED WIDOWED OR DIVORCED widower
(# write the word)

DATE OF BIRTH Feb 5, 1833
(Month) (Day) (Year)

AGE 78 yrs. 1 mos. 19 ds. If LESS than 1 day, hrs. or min.?

OCCUPATION
(a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work Contractor
(b) General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which employed (or employer) Building

BIRTHPLACE (City or town, State or foreign country) Shelbyville, Tenn

PARENTS
NAME OF FATHER Thomas Nelson
BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (City or town, State or foreign country) Virginia
MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Pauline Gorney
BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (City or town, State or foreign country) Kentucky

THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE
(Informant) Ella F. Nelson
(ADDRESS) Hell City Mo

Filed Mar 25 1911 E. H. Baird
REGISTRAR

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

DATE OF DEATH March 24th, 1911
(Month) (Day) (Year)

I HEREBY CERTIFY, that I attended deceased from Jan 1st, 1911, to Mar 24th, 1911, that I last saw him alive on Mar 24th, 1911, and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 9:00 m.

The CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows;
Old age and Chronic Interstitial Nephritis
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162 (Duration) 7 yrs. — mos. — ds.

Contributory (SECONDARY) (Duration) — yrs. — mos. — ds.

(Signed) C. E. M. P. G. M. D.
Mar 25th, 1911 (Address) Hell City Mo

*State the Disease Causing Death, or, in deaths from Violent Causes, state (1) Means of Injury; and (2) whether Accidental, Suicidal, or Homicidal.

LENGTH OF RESIDENCE (FOR HOSPITALS INSTITUTIONS, TRANSIENTS, OR RECENT RESIDENTS)

At place of death — yrs. — mos. — ds. In the State — yrs. — mos. — ds.

Where was disease contracted if not at place of death?

Former or usual residence

PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL W. Hope Cem DATE OF BURIAL March 26, 1911

UNDERTAKER Hell City and Hell City Mo ADDRESS

CAUSE OF DEATH in plain terms, so that it may be properly classified. Exact statement of OCCUPATION is very important.

Revised United States Standard Certificate of Death

[Approved by U. S. Census and American Public Health
Association]

Statement of occupation.—Precise statement of occupation is very important, so that the relative healthfulness of various pursuits can be known. The question applies to each and every person, irrespective of age. For many occupations a single word or term on the first line will be sufficient, e. g., *Farmer* or *Planter*, *Physician*, *Compositor*, *Architect*, *Locomotive engineer*, *Civil engineer*, *Stationary fireman*, etc. But in many cases, especially in industrial employments, it is necessary to know (a) the kind of work and also (b) the nature of the business or industry, and therefore an additional line is provided for the latter statement; it should be used only when needed. As examples: (a) *Spinner*, (b) *Cotton mill*; (a) *Salesman*, (b) *Grocery*; (a) *Foreman*, (b) *Automobile factory*. The material worked on may form part of the second statement. Never return "Laborer," "Foreman," "Manager," "Dealer," etc., without more precise specification, as *Day laborer*, *Farm laborer*, *Laborer—Coal mine*, etc. Women at home, who are engaged in the duties of the household only (not paid *Housekeepers* who receive a definite salary), may be entered as *Housewife*, *Housework*, or *At home*, and children, not gainfully employed, as *At school* or *At home*. Care should be taken to report specifically the occupations of persons engaged in domestic service for wages, as *Servant*, *Cook*, *Housemaid*, etc. If the occupation has been changed or given up on account of the DISEASE CAUSING DEATH, state occupation at beginning of illness. If retired from business, that fact may be indicated thus: *Farmer (retired, 6 yrs.)*. For persons who have no occupation whatever, write *None*.

Statement of cause of death.—Name, first, the DISEASE CAUSING DEATH (the primary affection with respect to time and causation), using always the same accepted term for the same disease. Examples: *Cerebrospinal fever* (the only definite synonym is "Epidemic cerebrospinal meningitis"); *Diphtheria* (avoid use of "Croup"); *Typhoid fever* (never report "Typhoid pneumonia"); *Lobar pneumonia*; *Bronchopneumonia* ("Pneumonia," unqualified, is indefinite); *Tuberculosis of lungs*, *meninges*, *peritoneum*, etc., *Carcinoma*, *Sar-*

coma, etc., of (name origin; "Cancer" is less definite; avoid use of "Tumor" for malignant neoplasms); *Measles*; *Whooping cough*; *Chronic valvular heart disease*; *Chronic interstitial nephritis*, etc. The contributory (secondary or intercurrent) affection need not be stated unless important. Example: *Measles* (disease causing death), *29 ds.*; *Bronchopneumonia* (secondary), *10 ds.* Never report mere symptoms or terminal conditions, such as "Asthenia," "Anaemia" (merely symptomatic), "Atrophy," "Collapse," "Coma," "Convulsions," "Debility" ("Congenital," "Senile," etc.), "Dropsy," "Exhaustion," "Heart failure," "Haemorrhage," "Inanition," "Marasmus," "Old age," "Shock," "Uraemia," "Weakness," etc., when a definite disease can be ascertained as the cause. Always qualify all diseases resulting from childbirth or miscarriage, as "PUERPERAL *septicaemia*," "PUERPERAL *peritonitis*," etc. State cause for which surgical operation was undertaken. For VIOLENT DEATHS state MEANS OF INJURY and qualify as ACCIDENTAL, SUICIDAL, or HOMICIDAL, or as *probably* such, if impossible to determine definitely. Examples: *Accidental drowning*; *Struck by railway train—accident*; *Revolver wound of head—homicide*; *Poisoned by carbolic acid—probably suicide*. The nature of the injury, as fracture of skull, and consequences (e. g., *sepsis*, *tetanus*) may be stated under the head of "Contributory." (Recommendations on statement of cause of death approved by Committee on Nomenclature of the American Medical Association.)

