

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

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

PLACE OF DEATH

County Callaway  
Township St. Albert  
or  
Village  
or  
City (NO. \_\_\_\_\_ St. \_\_\_\_\_ Ward \_\_\_\_\_)

Registration District No. 105 File No. 17104  
Primary Registration District No. 5754 Registered No. 9

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

FULL NAME Anthony Norris

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

SEX male COLOR OR RACE black  
SINGLE yes MARRIED no  
WIDOWED no OR DIVORCED no  
(Write the word) marriage

DATE OF DEATH April 28, 1911  
(Month) (Day) (Year)

DATE OF BIRTH not known, 1822  
(Month) (Day) (Year)

I HEREBY CERTIFY, that I attended deceased from April 27, 1911, to April 28, 1911, that I last saw him alive on April 27, 1911, and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at P.O. m. The CAUSE OF DEATH\* was as follows:

AGE 89 yrs. \_\_\_\_\_ mos. \_\_\_\_\_ ds. IF LESS than 1 day, \_\_\_\_\_ hrs. or \_\_\_\_\_ min.?

General debility.  
8 to 10 (Duration) yrs. \_\_\_\_\_ mos. \_\_\_\_\_ ds.

OCCUPATION none  
(a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work  
(b) General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which employed (or employer) no business

Contributory Paralysis  
(SECONDARY) (Duration) yrs. \_\_\_\_\_ mos. \_\_\_\_\_ ds.  
(Signed) W. O. Payne M. D.  
1911 (Address) Rt 1 Fulton

BIRTHPLACE Virginia  
(City or town, State or foreign country)

PARENTS  
NAME OF FATHER not known  
BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER not known  
(City or town, State or foreign country)  
MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER not known  
BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER not known  
(City or town, State or foreign country)

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

THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE  
(Informant) G. W. Garritt  
(ADDRESS) Portland Mo

LENGTH OF RESIDENCE (FOR HOSPITALS, INSTITUTIONS, TRANSIENTS, OR RECENT RESIDENTS)  
At place of death \_\_\_\_\_ yrs. \_\_\_\_\_ mos. \_\_\_\_\_ ds. In the \_\_\_\_\_ yrs. \_\_\_\_\_ mos. \_\_\_\_\_ ds.  
Where was disease contracted if not at place of death?  
Former or usual residence

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REGISTRAR

PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL St. Col DATE OF BURIAL Apr 30 1911  
Peter Harris grave yard  
UNDERTAKER E. W. Gordon ADDRESS Fulton

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# 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*, *Composer*, *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.)

HUGH STEPHENS, JEFFERSON CITY.

