

CAUSE OF DEATH in plain terms, so that it may be properly classified. Exact statement of OCCUPATION is very important. AGE should be stated EXACTLY. PHYSICIANS should state sex and years supplied.

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

PLACE OF DEATH

County Buchanan

Township _____
or
Village _____

City St Joseph

Registration District No. 85

Primary Registration District No. 1001

(NO. State Hospital No 2 St. _____ Ward)

File No. 23769

Registered No. 619

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

FULL NAME Mary Caldwell

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

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

I HEREBY CERTIFY, that I attended deceased from Mar 24, 1911, to July 28, 1911, that I last saw h. er alive on July 28, 1911, and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 8:30 a. m.

The CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows:
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Carcinoma of breast
(Duration) _____ yrs. 6 mos. _____ ds.

Contributory Insanity
(SECONDARY) (Duration) Unknown yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds.
(Signed) H. P. Mills M. D.
57 - 28, 1911 (Address) St Joseph, 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 7 yrs. 8 mos. _____ ds. In the Unknown State Unknown yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds.
Where was disease contracted if not at place of death?
Former or usual residence Savannah Mo.

PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL Savannah, Mo. DATE OF BURIAL July 30, 1911

HEATON-REGOLE UNDERTAKING CO. ADDRESS 224 S. 8th.

By John W. Hart

SEX Female COLOR OR RACE White SINGLE MARRIED WIDOWED OR DIVORCED Married
(Write the word)

DATE OF BIRTH Unknown Unk, 1859
(Month) (Day) (Year)

AGE 52 yrs. Unk mos. Unk ds. IF LESS than 1 day, _____ hrs. or _____ min.?

OCCUPATION (a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work Housewife
(b) General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which employed (or employer) 7-0

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

NAME OF FATHER Unknown

BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (City or town, State or foreign country) Unknown

MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Unknown

BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (City or town, State or foreign country) Unknown

THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE

(Informant) H. P. Mills, M.D.
(ADDRESS) St Joseph Mo

Filed July 29, 1911 H. B. Kellogg REGISTRAR

HEATON-REGOLE UNDERTAKING CO. REGISTERAR

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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*, *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 septicæmia," "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.)

