

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

PLACE OF DEATH

County Coas

Township _____

or _____

Village _____

or _____

City Pleasant Hill Mo

Registration District No. 137

File No. 23955

Primary Registration District No. 4091

Registered No. 24

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

FULL NAME Ralph Shelton

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

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

DATE OF BIRTH Feb 7, 1861
(Month) (Day) (Year)

AGE 49 yrs. 4 mos. 25 ds. IF LESS than 1 day, ___ hrs. or ___ min.?

OCCUPATION (a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work Labo 81
(b) General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which employed (or employer) 3-07 876

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

PARENTS
NAME OF FATHER Joseph Shelton
BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (City or town, State or foreign country) Tenn
MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Minerva Brock
BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (City or town, State or foreign country) Mo

THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE

(Informant) Mrs Ralph Shelton

(ADDRESS) Pleasant Hill Mo

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REGISTRAR

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

DATE OF DEATH July 2, 1911
(Month) (Day) (Year)

I HEREBY CERTIFY, that I attended deceased from May 25, 1911, to June 29, 1911, that I last saw him alive on June 29, 1911, and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 8 m.

The CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows:
Disease of posterior and lateral columns of spinal cord + abscess of brain (Duration scribble ds.)

Contributory (SECONDARY) _____ (Duration) ___ yrs. ___ mos. ___ ds.

(Signed) H. Shepard M. D.
July 3, 1911 (Address) Pleasant Hill

*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 Pitts Chapel DATE OF BURIAL 7-4, 1911

UNDERTAKER Parker & Son ADDRESS Pleasant Hill Mo

N. B.—Every item of information should be carefully supplied. AGE should be stated EXACTLY. PHYSICIANS should state CAUSE OF DEATH in plain terms, so that it may be properly classified. Exact statement of OCCUPATION is very important.

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

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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.)



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

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Registration District No. 157 File No. _____
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St. _____ Ward _____

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FULL NAME

Ralph Shelton

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

SEX male COLOR OR RACE white SINGLE MARRIED WIDOWED OR DIVORCED (Write the word) married
DATE OF BIRTH Feb-7, 1861
(Month) (Day) (Year)
AGE 49 yrs. 4 mos. 25 ds. If LESS than 1 day, hrs. or min.

OCCUPATION (a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work Labor.
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Filed 7/6 1911 H. Gerard REGISTRAR

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DATE OF DEATH July 2, 1911
(Month) (Day) (Year)

HEREBY CERTIFY, that I attended deceased from May 25, 1911, to June 29, 1911, that I last saw him alive on _____, 1911, and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 11 A.M.

The CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows:
Disease of posterior and lateral columns of spinal cord + base of brain
Don't know.
(Duration) _____ yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds.

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PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL Peto Chapel DATE OF BURIAL 7-4, 1911
UNDERTAKER Parker & Son ADDRESS Pleasant Hill Mo.

Original file, date 7/6, 1911. All information called for must be written on this Supplementary Certificate.

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