

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.

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

PLACE OF DEATH

County _____

Township _____

or

Village _____

or

City St. Louis (NO. 613 A. 3rd St. 8 Ward)

Registration District No. 791

File No. 26471

Primary Registration District No. 1003

Registered No. 6648

FULL NAME Thomas Mc Kelpen

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

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

SEX Male COLOR OR RACE Black SINGLE MARRIED WIDOWED OR DIVORCED Single
(Write the word)

DATE OF DEATH July 11, 1911
(Month) (Day) (Year)

DATE OF BIRTH May 27, 1888
(Month) (Day) (Year)

I HEREBY CERTIFY, that I attended deceased, from July 8, 1911, to July 11, 1911, that I last saw him alive on July 10, 1911, and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 1457 M.

AGE 23 yrs. 1 mos. 14 ds. IF LESS than 1 day, _____ hrs. or _____ min.?

The CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows:
Mitral Regurgitation
92A

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

BIRTHPLACE (City or town, State or foreign country) St. Louis Mo.

(Duration) _____ yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds.
11/12/11 712 Anemia - Diarrhea

NAME OF FATHER Rufus Mc Kelpen

Contributory (SECONDARY) Anemia - Diarrhea
(Duration) _____ yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds.

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

(Signed) David Webb M. D.
July 13, 1911 (Address) 922 N. 1st

MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Mary Lou Carter

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

BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (City or town, State or foreign country) Nashville Tenn.

LENGTH OF RESIDENCE (FOR HOSPITALS, INSTITUTIONS, TRANSIENTS, OR RECENT RESIDENTS)
At place of death _____ yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds. In the State _____ yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds.

THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE

Where was disease contracted if not at place of death?

(Informant) Henry Carter

Former or usual residence 613 A. 3rd St. St. Louis

(ADDRESS) 2356 Chestnut

PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL Greenwood DATE OF BURIAL July 14, 1911

Filed JUL 13 1911 May C. Starkloff REGISTRAR

UNDERTAKER Frank Helleg ADDRESS 907 Chestnut

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, peritonaeum*, 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 concurrent) affection need not be stated unless important. Example: *Measles* (disease causing death), *29 ds.*; *Bronchopneumonia* (secondary), *10 ds.* Never report mere symptoms of 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.)

