

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 Ripley
 Township Gatewood
 or
 Village _____
 or
 City _____ (NO. _____ St. _____ Ward _____)

Registration District No. 753 File No. 32420
 Primary Registration District No. 6245 Registered No. 28

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

FULL NAME Arthur Reedus

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

SEX Male COLOR OR RACE White SINGLE-MARRIED-~~WIDOWED~~-OR-DIVORCED Married
(If write the word)

DATE OF BIRTH Sept 18, 1886
(Month) (Day) (Year)

AGE 25 yrs. 8 mos. 6 ds.
If LESS than 1 day, ____ hrs. or ____ min.?

OCCUPATION (a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work Farmer
 (b) General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which employed (or employer) 1-0-3

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

PARENTS
 NAME OF FATHER M J Reedus
 BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (City or town, State or foreign country) Alabama
 MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER M J Reedus
 BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (City or town, State or foreign country) Alabama

THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE
 (Informant) J. E. Reedus
 (ADDRESS) Gatewood Mo

Filed Sept 26th 1911 Joseph E. Anderson
 REGISTRAR

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

DATE OF DEATH Sept 22, 1911
(Month) (Day) (Year)

I HEREBY CERTIFY, that I attended deceased from Sept 20, 1911, to Sept 21, 1911, that I last saw him alive on Sept 21, 1911, and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 7 P. m.

The CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows:
I do not know I understand that Dr Finney Dr Curran and Dr Anderson all treated the case before I saw it.

Contributory and Dr Anderson
(SECONDARY)
was there afterwards
 (Signed) M. E. Cice M. D.
Sept 26, 1911 (Address) Colum 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 Lebanon Cemetery DATE OF BURIAL Sept 23, 1911
 UNDERTAKER Hannity ADDRESS Gatewood Mo

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 "Group"); *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.)

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