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PLACE OF DEATH

County

Ozark
Pontiac

Township

or

Village

or

City

REGISTRARS SHALL NOT RECEIVE A FEE FOR CERTIFICATES UNTIL THEY ARE COMPLETED AS PRESCRIBED BY LAW.

MISSOURI STATE BOARD OF HEALTH

BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS

CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

Registration District No.

920

File No.

2201

Primary Registration District No.

6209

Registered No.

2

St. _____ Ward _____

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

FULL NAME

Bennie Clasky

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

SEX <i>m.</i>	COLOR OR RACE <i>w.</i>	SINGLE MARRIED WIDOWED OR DIVORCED (Write the word) <i>s.</i>
DATE OF BIRTH <i>Feb. 3rd</i> , 19 <i>11</i> (Month) (Day) (Year)		
AGE <i>11</i> yrs. <i>15</i> mos. <i>15</i> ds.		If LESS than 1 day, _____ hrs. or _____ min.

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

BIRTHPLACE

(City or town, State or foreign country)

*Pontiac Mo.*NAME OF FATHER
*Asa Bennett Clasky*BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER
(City or town, State or foreign country)
*Pontiac Mo.*MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER
*Dorothy Davis*BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER
(City or town, State or foreign country)
Pontiac Mo.

THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE

(Informant) *Dusky Willbanks*(ADDRESS) *Pontiac Mo.*

Filed

Jan 19, 19*12* *Mary Johnson*
REGISTRAR

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

DATE OF DEATH

Jan. 18, 19*12*
(Month) (Day) (Year)

I HEREBY CERTIFY, that I attended deceased from _____, 191____, to _____, 191____, that I last saw him alive on _____, 191____, and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at *8 a.* m.

The CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows:

Meningitis
Cerebrospinal fever(Duration) _____ yrs. _____ mos. *30* ds.

Contributory

(SECONDARY)

No medical aid in its last illness

(Signed) _____

M. D.

(Address) _____

*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

Pontiac Cem.

DATE OF BURIAL

Jan 19, 19*12*

UNDERTAKER

Henry Jenkins

ADDRESS

Pontiac Mo.

Original file, date _____, 19____

All information called for must be written on this Supplementary Certificate.

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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