

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

PLACE OF DEATH  
County Boone  
Township \_\_\_\_\_  
or  
Village \_\_\_\_\_  
or  
City Centralia (NO. \_\_\_\_\_ St.: \_\_\_\_\_ Ward \_\_\_\_\_)

Registration District No. 72 File No. 12461  
Primary Registration District No. 4041 Registered No. 12

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

FULL NAME William North Langfitt

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

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

DATE OF BIRTH Unknown  
(Month) \_\_\_\_\_ (Day) \_\_\_\_\_ (Year) \_\_\_\_\_

AGE 63 yrs. \_\_\_\_\_ mos. \_\_\_\_\_ ds. If LESS than 1 day, \_\_\_\_\_ hrs. or \_\_\_\_\_ min.?

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

BIRTHPLACE (City or town, State or foreign country) East Virginia

PARENTS  
NAME OF FATHER William Langfitt  
BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (City or town, State or foreign country) Virginia  
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) Mr. Langfitt  
(ADDRESS) Centralia Mo

Filed April 21 1912 J. T. Hickerson REGISTRAR

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

DATE OF DEATH April 19 1912  
(Month) \_\_\_\_\_ (Day) \_\_\_\_\_ (Year) \_\_\_\_\_

I HEREBY CERTIFY, that I attended deceased from March 9, 1912, to April 18, 1912, that I last saw him alive on April 18, 1912, and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 10:30 p.m.

The CAUSE OF DEATH\* was as follows:  
Paralysis  
82A  
82B  
(Duration) \_\_\_\_\_ yrs. \_\_\_\_\_ mos. 11 ds.

Contributory (SECONDARY) \_\_\_\_\_ (Duration) \_\_\_\_\_ yrs. \_\_\_\_\_ mos. \_\_\_\_\_ ds.  
(Signed) W. A. Meallish M. D.  
April 19 1912 (Address) Centralia 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 Centralia Cemetery DATE OF BURIAL April 21 1912  
UNDERTAKER M. S. Bush ADDRESS Centralia 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.

WRITE PLAINLY, WITH UNFADING INK—THIS IS A PERMANENT RECORD

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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.

PLACE OF DEATH

County Boone

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Township \_\_\_\_\_  
or  
Village \_\_\_\_\_  
or  
City Centralia (NO. \_\_\_\_\_ St. \_\_\_\_\_ Ward \_\_\_\_\_)

Registration District No. 72  
Primary Registration District No. 4041

File No. 2461  
Registered No. 12

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

FULL NAME William Worth Laughlin

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

SEX M COLOR OR RACE W SINGLE MARRIED WIDOWED OR DIVORCED S  
(Write the word)

DATE OF BIRTH Jan. \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, 1912  
(Month) (Day) (Year)

AGE 63 yrs. \_\_\_\_\_ mos. \_\_\_\_\_ ds.  
If LESS than 1 day, \_\_\_\_\_ hrs. or \_\_\_\_\_ min.

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

BIRTHPLACE (City or town, State or foreign country) West Virginia

PARENTS  
NAME OF FATHER William Laughlin  
BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (City or town, State or foreign country) Virginia  
MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Sm.  
BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (City or town, State or foreign country) W.

THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE  
(Informant) Mc Laughlin  
(ADDRESS) Centralia Mo.

Filed June 1912 J. D. Dickerson REGISTRAR

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

DATE OF DEATH Apr 19, 1912  
(Month) (Day) (Year)

I HEREBY CERTIFY, that I attended deceased from Mar 29, 1912, to Apr 18, 1912, that I last saw h. in alive on Apr. 18, 1912, and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 10:30 a m.

The CAUSE OF DEATH\* was as follows:  
Paralysis  
Cerebral Hemorrhage  
Acute Plegia  
(Duration) \_\_\_\_\_ yrs. \_\_\_\_\_ mos. 11 ds.

Contributory (SECONDARY) \_\_\_\_\_  
(Duration) \_\_\_\_\_ yrs. \_\_\_\_\_ mos. \_\_\_\_\_ ds.  
(Signed) Wm A Mc Allister M. A.  
June, 1912 (Address) Centralia Mo.

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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 Centralia Cemetery DATE OF BURIAL April 21, 1912  
UNDERTAKER W S Bush ADDRESS Centralia Mo

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Registered No. \_\_\_\_\_

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FULL NAME Wm Worth Langford

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

SEX M COLOR OR RACE W. SINGLE MARRIED WIDOWED OR DIVORCED W (Write the word)

DATE OF BIRTH \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, 191\_\_\_\_ (Month) (Day) (Year)

AGE \_\_\_\_\_ yrs. \_\_\_\_\_ mos. \_\_\_\_\_ ds. IF LESS than 1 day, \_\_\_\_\_ hrs. or \_\_\_\_\_ min.

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BIRTHPLACE (City or town, State or foreign country) \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF FATHER \_\_\_\_\_

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

MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER \_\_\_\_\_

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

THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE

(Informant) \_\_\_\_\_

(ADDRESS) \_\_\_\_\_

Filed \_\_\_\_\_ 191\_\_\_\_

REGISTRAR

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

DATE OF DEATH 4-19, 1912 (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 \_\_\_\_\_ m.

The CAUSE OF DEATH was as follows:

Paraplegia 66  
Do not know how he got  
found him paralyzed on the  
right side (Duration) \_\_\_\_\_ yrs. \_\_\_\_\_ mos. \_\_\_\_\_ ds.

Contributory cerebral haemorrhage (Duration) \_\_\_\_\_ yrs. \_\_\_\_\_ mos. \_\_\_\_\_ ds.

(Signed) W. A. Meador, M. D. Aug 5, 1912 (Address) Centralia

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Where was disease contracted If not at place of death? \_\_\_\_\_

Former or usual residence \_\_\_\_\_

PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL \_\_\_\_\_ DATE OF BURIAL \_\_\_\_\_ 191\_\_\_\_

UNDERTAKER \_\_\_\_\_ ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

SUPPLEMENTARY

H. W. A. McClinton, Centralia, Mo.

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