

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

PLACE OF DEATH

County Butler
Township Paplar Bluff
or
Village
or
City _____ (NO. _____ St.: _____ Ward)

Registration District No. 89 File No. 374
Primary Registration District No. 5131 Registered No. 12

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

FULL NAME John W. Belch Jr

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

SEX male COLOR OR RACE white SINGLE MARRIED WIDOWED OR DIVORCED _____
(Write the word)

DATE OF BIRTH Jan 1, 1913
(Month) (Day) (Year)

AGE _____ yrs. _____ mos. 11 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) Butler Co Mo

PARENTS
NAME OF FATHER John Belcher Sr
BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (City or town, State or foreign country) St Louis
MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Sarah Ann
BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (City or town, State or foreign country) Mo

THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE

(Informant) _____
(ADDRESS) Paplar Bluff

Filed Jan 12, 1913 W. R. Frew REGISTRAR

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

DATE OF DEATH January 10th, 1913
(Month) (Day) (Year)

I HEREBY CERTIFY, that I attended deceased from January 1st, 1913 to January 11th, 1913, that I last saw him alive on Jan 5th, 1913, and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 5 a m.

The CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows:
Noninfectious Tetanus -
161B
(Duration) _____ yrs. _____ mos. 11 ds.

Contributory none
(SECONDARY) (Duration) _____ yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds.
(Signed) W. H. Taylor M. D.
1/12, 1913 (Address) Paplar Bluff 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 Green Hill DATE OF BURIAL Jan 13, 1913
UNDERTAKER none ADDRESS _____

This should be carefully supplied. AGE should be stated EXACTLY. State in full terms, so that it may be properly classified. Exact statement of OCCUPATION.

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*, *Compositor*, *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, peritoneum*, etc., *Carcinoma*, *Sarcoma*, 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.)

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

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DATE OF BIRTH Jan. 1, 1913
AGE _____ yrs. _____ mos. 11 ds. IF LESS than 1 day, _____ hrs. or _____ min.?

DATE OF DEATH Jan. 11, 1913
(Month) (Day) (Year)

I HEREBY CERTIFY, that I attended deceased from Jan. 1, 1913 to Jan. 11, 1913, that I last saw him alive on Jan. 8, 1913, and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 5a m.

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

The CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows:
Haemotoxigenous sepsis

BIRTHPLACE (City or town, State or foreign country) Butler Co., Mo.

(Duration) _____ yrs. _____ mos. 11 ds.

NAME OF FATHER John Belch Sr.

Contributory none (SECONDARY) (Duration) _____ yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds.

BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (City or town, State or foreign country) W. Tenn.

(Signed) W. T. A. Taylor M. D.
1/12, 1913 (Address) Poplar Bluff

MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Laliga Thorn

*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) Mo.

LENGTH OF RESIDENCE (FOR HOSPITALS, INSTITUTIONS, TRANSIENTS, OR RECENT RESIDENTS)

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Where was disease contracted If not at place of death? _____

Former or usual residence _____

(Signature) A. P. Crow REGISTRAR

PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL Green Hill DATE OF BURIAL Jan. 13, 1913
UNDERTAKER none ADDRESS _____

INK—THIS IS A PERMANENT RECORD

N. B.—Every item of information CAUSE OF DEATH is very important. PHYSICIANS should state

Revised United States Standard Certificate of Death

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