

PLACE OF DEATH

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

County _____

Township _____

or _____

Village _____

or _____

City St. Louis

Registration District No. _____

791

File No. _____

18459

Primary Registration District No. _____

1003

Registered No. _____

4905(No. 5936 West Cabanne Pl. St. Ward)

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

FULL NAME

John Frank Merryman

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

SEX Male COLOR OR RACE White SINGLE MARRIED WIDOWED OR DIVORCED Married
(Write the word)DATE OF BIRTH September 14, 1854
(Month) (Day) (Year)AGE 58 yrs. 8 mos. 10 ds. IF LESS than 1 day, ___ hrs. or ___ min.?OCCUPATION (a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work Attorney

(b) General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which employed (or employer) _____

BIRTHPLACE (City or town, State or foreign country) Mt. Vernon, Ky.NAME OF FATHER Joseph E. MerrymanBIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (City or town, State or foreign country) VirginiaMAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Harriet GabrielBIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (City or town, State or foreign country) Winchester, Ohio

THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE

(Informant) Frank F. Merryman(ADDRESS) 5936 W. Cabanne Pl.Filed MAY 28 1913 Marl Starkloff 191 REGISTRAR

3 MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

DATE OF DEATH May 24, 1913
(Month) (Day) (Year)I HEREBY CERTIFY, that I attended deceased from May 12th, 1913, to May 24th, 1913, that I last saw him alive on May 24th, 1913, and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 10³⁰ a.m.

The CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows:

Arterio sclerosis. Apoplexy.
Apoplexy

About 10 days duration) yrs. ___ mos. ___ ds.

Contributory Nephritis
(SECONDARY) (Duration) 7 yrs. ___ mos. ___ ds.(Signed) Walter D. Dorsett M. D.
May 26, 1913 (Address) 409-12 Wall St.

*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 Bellefontaine Cem. DATE OF BURIAL May 27, 1913UNDERTAKER Elmer Shepard ADDRESS 59th Eastern Ave

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 in the duties of the household (who receive a definite salary), *fe*, *Housework*, or *At home*, and *loyed*, 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.)

Walter Dornett