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

PLACE OF DEATH
County Marion

Township _____
or
Village _____
or
City Hannibal

Registration District No. 577
Primary Registration District No. 2029

File No. 30335
Registered No. 230

(NO. 1210 Broadway St. 6 Ward)

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

FULL NAME William Smithson

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

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

DATE OF BIRTH Feb. 19, 1850
(Month) (Day) (Year)

AGE 63 yrs. 6 mos. 28 ds.
If LESS than 1 day, _____ hrs. or _____ min.?

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

BIRTHPLACE (City or town, State or foreign country) Scott Co. Ill.

PARENTS
NAME OF FATHER James C. Smithson
BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (City or town, State or foreign country) Not known
MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Frestina Baker
BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (City or town, State or foreign country) Kentucky

THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE

(Informant) W. R. Smithson

(ADDRESS) Joplin Mo

Filed Apr 9, 1913 W. R. Young

REGISTRAR

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

DATE OF DEATH Sept 7, 1913
(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 11:45 am.

The CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows:

Heart Failure
2008
(Duration) _____ yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds.

Contributory (SECONDARY) _____ (Duration) _____ yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds.
(Signed) W. M. Smith Coroner
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 Naples Ill. DATE OF BURIAL 9-9-13

UNDERTAKER W. M. Smith ADDRESS Hannibal

Revised United States Standard Certificate of Death

[Approved by U. S. Census and American Public Health
Association]

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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, peritonaeum*, 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.)

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PLACE OF DEATH

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

BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS
CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

County Marion
Township _____
or _____
Village _____
or _____
City Hannibal (NO. _____) St.: _____ Ward _____

Registration District No. 547 File No. _____
Primary Registration District No. 3029 Registered No. 230

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

FULL NAME

William Smithson

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

SEX M COLOR OF RACE W SINGLE Widow
MARRIED
WIDOWED
OR DIVORCED
(Write the word)
DATE OF BIRTH _____ 191____
(Month) (Day) (Year)
AGE _____ yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds.
IF LESS than _____ hrs. _____ min.

DATE OF DEATH 9-7-1913
(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.

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:
Heart failure
Grounds defect

BIRTHPLACE
(City or town, State or foreign country) _____

PARENTS
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) _____

Contributory (SECONDARY) _____
(Duration) _____ yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds.

THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE
(Informant) _____

(Signed) H. Compton
27 1913 (Address) Hannibal Mo.

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Where was disease contracted If not at place of death? _____
Former or usual residence _____

Filed Sept 9 1913 W. J. Gaud
REGISTRAR

PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL _____ DATE OF BURIAL _____ 191____
UNDERTAKER _____ ADDRESS _____

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