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

PLACE OF DEATH
County Clatsop
Township Folker or Village _____
City _____ (NO. _____ St.; _____ Ward)

Registration District No. 191 File No. 486
Primary Registration District No. 5272 Registered No. _____

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

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS		MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH	
SEX <u>Male</u>	COLOR OR RACE <u>White</u>	SINGLE MARRIED <u>married</u> WIDOWED OR DIVORCED (Write the word)	DATE OF DEATH <u>Dec 2</u> , 191 <u>3</u> (Month) (Day) (Year)
DATE OF BIRTH _____, 18 <u>47</u> (Month) (Day) (Year)		I HEREBY CERTIFY, that I attended deceased from <u>June 21</u> , 191 <u>3</u> , to <u>Dec 1</u> , 191 <u>3</u> , that I last saw him alive on <u>Dec 2</u> , 191 <u>3</u> , and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at <u>2 P.</u> m.	
AGE <u>66</u> yrs. ____ mos. ____ ds.		The CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows: <u>Leukemia</u> <u>12/2/13</u>	
OCCUPATION (a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work <u>Farmer</u> (b) General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which employed (or employer) _____		(Duration) ____ yrs. ____ mos. ____ ds.	
BIRTHPLACE (City or town, State or foreign country) <u>Iowa</u>		Contributory (SECONDARY) (Duration) ____ yrs. ____ mos. ____ ds.	
PARENTS	NAME OF FATHER <u>William Melford</u>	(Signed) <u>W. C. Bender</u> M. D. <u>Dec 9</u> , 191 <u>3</u> (Address) <u>W. St. Louis, Mo.</u>	
	BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (City or town, State or foreign country) <u>Iowa</u>	*State the Disease Causing Death, or, in deaths from Violent Causes, state (1) Means of Injury; and (2) whether Accidental, Suicidal, or Homicidal.	
	MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER <u>Mary Murphy</u>	LENGTH OF RESIDENCE (FOR HOSPITALS, INSTITUTIONS, TRANSIENTS, OR RECENT RESIDENTS)	
	BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (City or town, State or foreign country) <u>Iowa</u>	At place of death ____ yrs. ____ mos. ____ ds. In the State ____ yrs. ____ mos. ____ ds.	
THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE (Informant) <u>James Pitney</u> (ADDRESS) <u>Farmington Ia</u>		Where was disease contracted if not at place of death? Former or usual residence _____	
Filed <u>Jan 10</u> , 191 <u>4</u>		PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL <u>Thompson Cemetery</u>	DATE OF BURIAL <u>Dec 4</u> , 191 <u>3</u>
REGISTRAR		UNDERTAKER <u>Phil K. Ware Farmington Ia</u>	ADDRESS _____

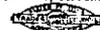
Revised United States Standard Certificate of Death

[Approved by U. S. Census and American Public Health
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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.)



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

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County Clay
 Township Fowler
 or
 Village
 or
 City

Registration District No. 191 File No. _____
 Primary Registration District No. 5272 Registered No. 2
 Ward _____

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

FULL NAME

William Melford

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

SEX <u>M</u>	COLOR OR RACE <u>W</u>	SINGLE MARRIED WIDOWED OR DIVORCED <u>M</u> <small>(Write the word)</small>
DATE OF BIRTH <u>About 1847</u> <small>(Month) (Day) (Year)</small>		
AGE <u>66</u> yrs. mos. ds.		<small>If LESS than 1 day, hrs. or min.</small>
OCCUPATION (a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work <u>Farmer</u> (b) General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which employed (or employer)		

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

DATE OF DEATH Dec 2, 1913
(Month) (Day) (Year)

I HEREBY CERTIFY, that I attended deceased from Dec 21, 1913, to Dec 2, 1913, that I last saw him alive on Dec 2, 1913 and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 3 P. m.

The CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows:
Embasis of liver

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

PARENTS	NAME OF FATHER <u>William Melford</u>
	BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (City or town, State or foreign country) <u>Iowa</u>
	MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER <u>Mary Murphy</u>
	BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (City or town, State or foreign country) <u>Iowa</u>

Contributory (SECONDARY) 1/3
(Duration) yrs. mos. ds.

(Signed) C. W. Beach M.D.
Dec 9, 1913 (Address) Wilmington, Ia

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LENGTH OF RESIDENCE (FOR HOSPITALS, INSTITUTIONS, TRANSIENTS, OR RECENT RESIDENTS)
 At place of death _____ yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds. State _____ yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds.

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

THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE
 (Informant) James Pitney
 (ADDRESS) Farmington Ia

Filed March 2, 1914
R. C. Callahan REGISTRAR

PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL Farmington Ia
 DATE OF BURIAL Dec 4, 1913

ADDRESS Farmington Ia

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