

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

460
4274

PLACE OF DEATH
County Lafayette
Township Dover
or Village Confederate Home
or City Higginsville Mo. (NO. _____ St.: _____ Ward)

Registration District No. 459 File No. 1579
Primary Registration District No. 4273 Registered No. 3

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

FULL NAME David Lewis Skillman

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

SEX Male COLOR OR RACE Caucasian SINGLE MARRIED WIDOWED OR DIVORCED Widower
(Write the word)
DATE OF BIRTH May 18, 1843
(Month) (Day) (Year)
AGE 70 yrs. 7 mos. 24 ds. I LESS than 1 day, ___ hrs or ___ min.?

DATE OF DEATH Jan 11, 1914
(Month) (Day) (Year)
I HEREBY CERTIFY, that I attended deceased from about 2 years, 1912, to 1914,
that I last saw him alive on Jan 11, 1914,
and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 30 m.

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

The CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows:
Dysentery of long standing
13 c
162 (Duration) ___ yrs. ___ mos. ___ ds.

BIRTHPLACE
(City or town, State or foreign country) Bourbon Co. Kentucky

Contributory Great Smut
(SECONDARY) (Duration) ___ yrs. ___ mos. ___ ds.

PARENTS
NAME OF FATHER Joseph Skillman
BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (City or town, State or foreign country) Virginia
MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Lavinia Wilson
BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (City or town, State or foreign country) Bourbon County Ky.

(Signed) H. G. Miller M. D.
Jan 12, 1914 (Address) Higginsville

THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE

*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 2 yrs. ___ mos. ___ ds. In the State ___ yrs. ___ mos. ___ ds.
Where was disease contracted if not at place of death? Y
Former or usual residence Jackson Co Mo

(Informant) R. A. Benton
(ADDRESS) Higginsville

PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL Conf. Home Cemetery DATE OF BURIAL 1/12, 1914
UNDERTAKER A. A. Hader ADDRESS Higginsville, Mo.

Filed Jan 12, 1914 W. G. Harwood REGISTRAR

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.

Revised United States Standard Certificate

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*, *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, for 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.)