

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.

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

PLACE OF DEATH  
 County Jackson  
 Township Kan  
 or  
 Village Kansas City  
 or  
 City Mo. (NO. 309 Chaffers ave. St.: \_\_\_\_\_ Ward)

Registration District No. 399 File No. 4739  
 Primary Registration District No. 1002 Registered No. 388

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

FULL NAME James M. Thatcher

**PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS**

SEX m COLOR OR RACE yr SINGLE MARRIED WIDOWED OR DIVORCED Single  
 (Write the word)

DATE OF BIRTH Jan 9 1845  
 (Month) (Day) (Year)

AGE 39 yrs. \_\_\_\_\_ mos. \_\_\_\_\_ ds. If LESS than 1 day, \_\_\_\_\_ hrs. or \_\_\_\_\_ min.?

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

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

NAME OF FATHER John M. Thatcher  
 BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (City or town, State or foreign country) Ky.  
 MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Mekunon Hickman  
 BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (City or town, State or foreign country) Ky.

THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE  
 (Informant) Danny C. Thatcher  
 (ADDRESS) 309 Chaffers

Filed FEB -3 1914 1914 W. S. Wheeler  
 REGISTRAR

**MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH**

DATE OF DEATH Jan 31 1914  
 (Month) (Day) (Year)

I HEREBY CERTIFY, that I attended deceased from Jan 30, 1914, to Jan 31, 1914, that I last saw him alive on Jan 31, 1914 and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 1:30 p.m.

The CAUSE OF DEATH\* was as follows:  
Internal H. emorhage  
due to accidental injury  
fall from ladder

(Duration) \_\_\_\_\_ yrs. \_\_\_\_\_ mos. \_\_\_\_\_ ds.  
 Contributory fall from ladder  
 (SECONDARY)  
 (Duration) \_\_\_\_\_ yrs. \_\_\_\_\_ mos. \_\_\_\_\_ ds.  
 (Signed) B. S. Wheeler M. D.  
Liberty 2, 1914 (Address) 4050 Broadway

\*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 Forest Hill DATE OF BURIAL Feb 3, 1914  
 UNDERTAKER Geo J Stewart ADDRESS 331 West 112

# 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, 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 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, 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.)