

PLAQUE, WITH GRADING INK—THIS IS A PERMANENT RECORD

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. See instructions on back of Certificate.

1 PLACE OF DEATH.

County Ripley
Township Current River

Inc. Town _____

City _____

STATE OF ARKANSAS *Missouri*
STATE BOARD OF HEALTH
Bureau of Vital Statistics
CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

Registration District No. 750

File No. 23729

Primary Registration District No. 5986

Registered No. 64

(No. _____ St; _____ Ward)

2 FULL NAME Charles Edwin M. Couley

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

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

3. SEX male 4. COLOR OR RACE white 5. SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED, OR DIVORCED Single
(Write the word)

6. DATE OF BIRTH May 8 1912
Month Day Year

7. AGE 2 yrs. 2 mos. 7 ds. If LESS than 1 day, ___ hrs. or ___ min?

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

9. BIRTHPLACE (State or Country) Ripley Co. Mo.

PARENTS
10. NAME OF FATHER Henry M. Couley
11. BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (State or Country) Ripley Co. Mo.
12. MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Hess Disming
13. BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (State or Country) Mo.

14. THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE

(Informant) A. L. Couley

(Address) Minor Oak

15. Filed, 7-16-1914 E. B. Johnston REGISTRAR

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

16. DATE OF DEATH July 15 1914
Month Day Year

17. I HEREBY CERTIFY That I attended the deceased from July 7, 1914, to July 12, 1914, that I last saw him alive on July 13, 1914, and that death occurred on the date stated above, at 4 p.m.

The CAUSE OF DEATH * was as follows:
Gastro-enteritis
1203/05
Duration yrs. mos. 15 ds.

Contributory SECONDARY

Duration yrs. mos. ds.
Signed Charlie Foester M. D. 7/7, 1914 Address Supply Ark

*State the DISEASE CAUSING DEATH, or, in death from VIOLENT CAUSES, state (1) MEANS OF INJURY; and (2) whether ACCIDENTAL, SUICIDAL or HOMICIDAL.

18. 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 _____

19. PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL Merrell Co DATE OF REMOVAL July 16, 1914

20. UNDERTAKER J. R. Wright ADDRESS Scrifshan Mo.

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 of 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 DEATH state MEANS OF INJURY and qualify as ACCIDENTAL, SUICIDAL, or HOMICIDAL 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 statements of cause of death approved by Committee on Nomenclature of the American Medical Association.)