

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.

PLACE OF DEATH

County Paulsboro
 Township Paulsboro
 or
 Village Waynesville
 or
 City _____ (NO. _____ St. _____ Ward _____)

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

Registration District No. 713 File No. 16927
 Primary Registration District No. 4478 Registered No. 11

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

FULL NAME James Edward Black

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

SEX Male COLOR OR RACE White SINGLE MARRIED WIDOWED OR DIVORCED (If write the word) Single

DATE OF BIRTH April 4th, 1873
 (Month) (Day) (Year)

AGE 42 yrs. 1 mos. 10 ds. IF LESS than 1 day, _____ hrs. or _____ min.?

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

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

PARENTS
 NAME OF FATHER Louis Black
 BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (City or town, State or foreign country) East Penn
 MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Elizabeth M. Black
 BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (City or town, State or foreign country) East Penn

THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE
 (Informant) Elizabeth M. Black
 (ADDRESS) Waynesville Mo.

Filed May 17, 1915 W. J. Lee
 REGISTRAR

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

DATE OF DEATH May 14th, 1915
 (Month) (Day) (Year)

I HEREBY CERTIFY, that I attended deceased from Apr 28th, 1915, to May 14th, 1915, that I last saw him alive on May 14th, 1915, and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 9 a. m.

The CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows:
Acute Cerebral Meningitis
23A
75B
79A (Duration) _____ yrs. _____ mos. 5 ds.

Contributory Chronic Alcoholism
Subsults (Duration) _____ yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds.
 (Signed) La Vega Tice M. D.
5-17- 1915 (Address) Waynesville Mo.

*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 unknown in the unknown State unknown yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds.
 Where was disease contracted if not at place of death? unknown
 Former or usual residence St Louis Mo.

PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL Bradford Cemetery DATE OF BURIAL May 15, 1915
 UNDERTAKER J. B. G. Prichard ADDRESS Waynesville 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*, *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.)

