

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

PLACE OF DEATH

County Pike

Township _____

or Village Ashley

or City _____

(NO. _____)

Registration District No. 683

Primary Registration District No. 4407

File No. 22587

Registered No. _____

St.: _____ Ward _____

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

FULL NAME

Willis Gurn

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

SEX M COLOR OR RACE cool SINGLE MARRIED married
WIDOWED OR DIVORCED
(Write the word)

DATE OF DEATH 6 2, 1915
(Month) (Day) (Year)

DATE OF BIRTH unknown 1 _____
(Month) (Day) (Year)

I HEREBY CERTIFY, that I attended deceased from _____, 191____, to _____, 191____, that I last saw h_____ alive on _____, 191____, and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at _____ m. The CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows:

AGE 74 yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds. If LESS than 1 day, _____ hrs. or _____ min.?

No attending Physician
200A ✓ 18A
(Duration) _____ yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds.

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

Contributory (SECONDARY) _____ (Duration) _____ yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds. (Signed) _____ M. D. _____, 191____ (Address) _____

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

NAME OF FATHER unknown

BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (City or town, State or foreign country) unknown

MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER unknown

BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (City or town, State or foreign country) unknown

*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. 17 ds. In the 74 yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds. State

Where was disease contracted if not at place of death? _____

Former or usual residence Louisiana Mo.

THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE

(Informant) Edg Michie

(ADDRESS) Ashley Mo

PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL County farm DATE OF BURIAL 6-2, 1915

UNDERTAKER Edg Michie ADDRESS Ashley Mo

Filed July 8, 1915 J. K. Rees REGISTRAR

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, 8 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.)

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(Informant)

(Address)

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July 8, 1915 J. E. Rees
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6-2-15
(Month) (Day) (Year)

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....., 191....., to....., 191.....

that I last saw him....., 191.....

and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at.....m.

The CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows:

unknown
(Duration) yrs.....mos.....ds.

CONTRIBUTORY

(Secondary)

(Duration) yrs.....mos.....ds.

(Signed)

E. S. Mecher

M. D.

1915 (Address) *Ashley mo.*

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18 LENGTH OF RESIDENCE (For Hospitals, Institutions, Transients, or Recent Residents)

At place of death.....yrs.....mos.....ds. In the State.....yrs.....mos.....ds.

19 Where was disease contracted

20 Former usual residence

19 PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL

DATE OF BURIAL

20 UNDERTAKER

ADDRESS

Original file, date JUL -- 1915, 19.....

All information called for must be written on this Supplementary Certificate.

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