

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

PLACE OF DEATH  
County Scott  
Township Richland Registration District No. 821 File No. 26600-10  
or  
Village \_\_\_\_\_ Primary Registration District No. 6070 Registered No. 121  
or  
City \_\_\_\_\_ (NO. \_\_\_\_\_ St. \_\_\_\_\_ Ward \_\_\_\_\_)

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

FULL NAME Irene Gwathrey

**PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS**

**MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH**

SEX Female COLOR OR RACE White SINGLE MARRIED WIDOWED OR DIVORCED Infant  
(#rite the word)

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

DATE OF BIRTH Sept 13, 1913  
(Month) (Day) (Year)

I HEREBY CERTIFY, that I attended deceased from July 20, 1915, to Aug 2, 1915, that I last saw her alive on Aug 1, 1915, and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 5 a. m. The CAUSE OF DEATH\* was as follows:  
Pernicious Malaria

AGE 1 yrs. 10 mos. 29 ds. If LESS than 1 day, \_\_\_ hrs. or \_\_\_ min.?

Contributory Malaria  
(Duration) yrs. 0 mos. 14 ds.

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

BIRTHPLACE (City or town, State or foreign country) Scott co mo

PARENTS NAME OF FATHER J. O. Gwathrey BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER Ill  
MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Julie Gwathrey BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER Ill

(Signed) J. A. Miller M. D. Aug 2, 1915 (Address) Sikeston

\*State the Disease Causing Death, or, in deaths from Violent Causes, state (1) Means of Injury; and (2) whether Accidental, Suicidal, or Homicidal.

THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE

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 \_\_\_\_\_

(Informant) Ben Horn  
(ADDRESS) Sikeston Mo

PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL Proziel DATE OF BURIAL 8-2, 1915

Filed Aug 2, 1915 O. M. Malohn REGISTRAR

UNDERTAKER J. A. Miller ADDRESS Sikeston Mo

CAUTION OF DATA IN PLAIN TEXT, SO THAT IT MAY BE PROPERLY EXAMINED. 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, 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.)