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

1 PLACE OF DEATH  
County Butler  
Township Poplar Bluff or Village or City  
Registration District No. 89 File No. 5610  
Primary Registration District No. 5131 Registered No. 41  
(NO. St. Ward)

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

2 FULL NAME Verna Hardy

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

3 SEX Female 4 COLOR OR RACE Colored 5 SINGLE MARRIED married WIDOWED OR DIVORCED (Write the word)

6 DATE OF BIRTH: (Month) (Day) (Year)

7 AGE About year old 65 yrs. mos. 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 (City or town, State or foreign country) Mississippi

PARENTS  
10 NAME OF FATHER Port Know  
11 BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (City or town, State or foreign country) Port Know  
12 MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Port Know  
13 BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (City or town, State or foreign country) Port Know

14 THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE (Informant) Elph Hardy (Address) Poplar Bluff

15 Filed Feb 22 1916 B. S. Ellis Registrar

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

16 DATE OF DEATH Feb 15 1916 (Month) (Day) (Year)

17 I HEREBY CERTIFY, that I attended deceased from Feb 14 1916 to Feb 14 1916 that I last saw her alive on Feb 14 1916 and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 10 A. m.  
The CAUSE OF DEATH\* was as follows:

Cirrhosis of liver  
12413  
113  
(Duration) yrs. mos. ds. 10

CONTRIBUTORY (Secondary) (Duration) yrs. mos. ds. (Signed) B. S. Ellis M. D. (Address) B. S. Ellis

\*State the Disease Causing Death, or, in deaths 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 Sheet Cemetery DATE OF BURIAL Feb 17 1916

20 UNDERTAKER ADDRESS

# Revised United States Standard Certificate of Death

[Approved by U. S. Census and American Public Health  
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**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

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 City

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 (Address)

15 Filed 7/22 1916 B. L. Ellis MD Registrar  
March 29 - 1916

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16 DATE OF DEATH Feb 15 1916  
(Month) (Day) (Year)

17 I HEREBY CERTIFY, that I attended deceased from 1916 to 1916, that I saw him alive on 1916, and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 5:30 p.m.  
 The CAUSE OF DEATH\* was as follows:

(Duration) yrs. mos. ds.  
 CONTRIBUTORY (Secondary)  
 (Duration) yrs. mos. ds.  
 (Signed) Wm. J. ... M. D.  
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19 PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL  
 DATE OF BURIAL Feb. 16 1916  
 ADDRESS Poplar Bluff Mo

20 UNDERTAKER Purchased Coffin  
J. J. Paul - husband and friend  
buried her

Satisfactory information supplied.  
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