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.

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

**PLACE OF DEATH**

County Green

Township ____ or Village ____ or City Springfield Mo. (NO. 920 Rogers St.; ____ Ward)

Registration District No. 318

Primary Registration District No. 2001

File No. 9902

Registered No. 176

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

FULL NAME (Not named) Premature Birth

**PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS**

SEX: Female

COLOR OR RACE: White

SINGLE MARRIED WIDOWED OR DIVORCED (Write the word): Single

DATE OF BIRTH: March 17, 1916 (Month) (Day) (Year)

AGE: ____ yrs. ____ mos. ____ ds.

If LESS than 1 day 3 hrs. or ____ min.?

OCCUPATION
(a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work: Infant.
(b) General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which employed (or employer): None.

BIRTHPLACE (City or town, State or foreign country): Springfield Mo.

PARENTS

NAME OF FATHER: Robert H Owens

BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (City or town, State or foreign country): Dallas County

MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER: Cora Ethel Smith

BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (City or town, State or foreign country): Dallas Co. Mo.

THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE

(Informant) R H Owens

(ADDRESS) 920 Rogers ave

Filed MAR 17 1916, 191__ Edwin F James REGISTRAR

**MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH**

DATE OF DEATH: March 17, 1916 (Month) (Day) (Year)

I HEREBY CERTIFY, that I attended deceased from March 19, 1916, to March 17, 1916, that I last saw he alive on March 17, 1916, and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 49 m.

The CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows:

Premature Birth

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

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Contributory (SECONDARY) ____ (Duration) ____ yrs. ____ mos. ____ ds.

(Signed) William R Beatie M. D.

March 17, 1916 (Address) Springfield 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 ____ yrs. ____ mos. ____ ds. In the State ____ yrs. ____ mos. ____ ds.

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

Former or usual residence ____

PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL: Hazelwood

DATE OF BURIAL: Mar 17, 1916

UNDERTAKER: No Undertaker

ADDRESS: ~~SPRINGFIELD~~

# 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 providedfor 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 *septichaemia*," "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.)