

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

1 PLACE OF DEATH

County Benton Registration District No. 6 File No. 16996
 Township Lindsey Primary Registration District No. 5099 Registered No. 18
 Village _____ City _____ (NO. _____ St. _____ Ward _____)

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

2 FULL NAME Jerome H. Smith

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

3 SEX male 4 COLOR OR RACE white 5 SINGLE single MARRIED WIDOWED OR DIVORCED (Write the word)
 6 DATE OF BIRTH Dec 12 1870 (Month) (Day) (Year)
 7 AGE 45 yrs. 4 mos. 20 ds. If LESS than 1 day, hrs. or min.?

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

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

PARENTS
 10 NAME OF FATHER Geo. P. Smith
 11 BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (City or town, State or foreign country) Mich.
 12 MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Mary J. Halbot
 13 BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (City or town, State or foreign country) New York

14 THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE
 (Informant) Geo. P. Smith
 (Address) Warren

15 Filed May 16 1916 J. R. Smith Registrar

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

16 DATE OF DEATH May 2 1916 (Month) (Day) (Year)

17 I HEREBY CERTIFY, that I attended deceased from Apr. 29 1916 to May 2 1916, that I last saw him alive on May 2 1916, and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 11:30 a.m.

The CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows:
Acute Indigestion
1180
 (Duration) 1 yrs. 3 mos. 3 ds.

CONTRIBUTORY (Secondary) _____ (Duration) _____ yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds.
 (Signed) G. A. Agnew M. D.
May 2 1916 (Address) Lincoln

*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 Springfield Cemetery DATE OF BURIAL May 4 1916
 20 UNDERTAKER J. B. Calvert ADDRESS Lincoln Mo.

Attention 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*, *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) *Colton 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.)

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FADING INK—THIS IS A PERMANENT RECORD

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REGISTRARS SHALL NOT RECEIVE A FEE FOR CERTIFICATES UNTIL THEY ARE COMPLETED AS PRESCRIBED BY LAW

Registration District No. 61 File No. _____
Primary Registration District No. 5097 Registered No. 18

2 FULL NAME Ervin A. Smith

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

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

3 SEX M. 4 COLOR OR RACE W. 5 SINGLE MARRIED WIDOWED OR DIVORCED S.
(Write the word)

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

7 AGE _____
If LESS than 1 day _____ hrs. or _____ min.?

8 OCCUPATION
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9 BIRTHPLACE
(City or town, State or foreign country) _____

PARENTS

10 NAME OF FATHER _____

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

12 MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER _____

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

14 THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE
(Informant) _____
(Address) _____

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16 DATE OF DEATH May 2 1916
(Month) _____ (Day) _____ (Year) _____

17 Satisfactory Information
I HEREBY CERTIFY, that I attended deceased from _____ 191____ to _____ 191____
that I last saw him _____ alive on _____ 191____
and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at _____ m.
The CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows:
Acute Indigestion
(Duration) 10 3/4 yrs. 3 mos. 3 ds.

CONTRIBUTORY (Secondary)
G. A. Gresson M.D.
(Signed) _____
72 1916 (Address) Lincoln Ave.

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19 PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL _____ DATE OF BURIAL _____ 191____

20 UNDERTAKER _____ ADDRESS _____

—Every item of information is VITAL

N. B.—Every item of information about CAUSE OF DEATH in plain terms

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