

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

1 PLACE OF DEATH

County Marion
Township
or
Village
or
City Hannibal (NO. 1230^a Church St. 5th Ward)

Registration District No. 677 File No. 18570
Primary Registration District No. 3079 Registered No. 148

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

2 FULL NAME Mrs Madeline M Ayres

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

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

16 DATE OF DEATH April 28 1916
(Month) (Day) (Year)

6 DATE OF BIRTH September 6, 1884
(Month) (Day) (Year)

17 I HEREBY CERTIFY, that I attended deceased from 9:30 1916 to 1916 that I last saw h..... alive on 1916 and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at about 5 p. m.

7 AGE 31 yrs. 7 mos. 22 ds. If LESS than 1 day..... hrs. or..... min.?

The CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows:
Found dead in Bath Room. Died from natural cause probably acute dilatation of heart. (Duration)..... yrs..... mos..... ds.

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

CONTRIBUTORY (Secondary) (Duration)..... yrs..... mos..... ds. (Signed) Wm M Smith Coroner April 29 1916 (Address) Hannibal

9 BIRTHPLACE (City or town, State or foreign country) Bergen, Norway

10 NAME OF FATHER Given name Not Known (Melhus) 11 BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (City or town, State or foreign country) Norway 12 MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Nellie Nilsen 13 BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (City or town, State or foreign country) Norway

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

14 THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE (Informant) Albert J Ayres (Address) Hannibal

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.....

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19 PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL Mr Oliver Cemetery DATE OF BURIAL May 1, 1916 20 UNDERTAKER Wm M Smith ADDRESS Hannibal

N. B.—Every item of information should be carefully supplied. Where shown to be accurate. Exact statement of OCCUPATION is very important. CAUSE OF DEATH in plain terms, so that it may be properly classified.

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*, *peritoneum*, 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.)