

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

PLACE OF DEATH

County Clay

Township _____

Village _____

City Liberty (NO. _____)

Registration District No. 207

File No. 27434

Primary Registration District No. 3072

Registered No. 64

(NO. West Franklin St., _____ Ward)

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

FULL NAME William Franklin Gordon

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

SEX Male COLOR OR RACE White SINGLE MARRIED WIDOWED OR DIVORCED (Write the word)

DATE OF BIRTH June 24, 1831
(Month) (Day) (Year)

AGE 85 yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds. If LESS than 1 day, _____ hrs. or _____ min.?

OCCUPATION (a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work Retired Painter
(b) General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which employed (or employer) 944 97

BIRTHPLACE (City or town, State or foreign country) Kennett Ky

NAME OF FATHER Thomas C. Gordon

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

MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Charlotte Bigsby

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

THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE

Mrs. A. B. Jones
(Informant)

(ADDRESS) Liberty Mo

Filed 8/10/16 1916 Wayne Gordon REGISTRAR

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

DATE OF DEATH July 15, 1916
(Month) (Day) (Year)

I HEREBY CERTIFY, that I attended deceased from For the last 10 years, 1916, that I last saw him alive on July 15, 1916, and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 2:38 m.

The CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows:
Has had Arteriosclerosis for over two years, with all its different changes.

(Duration) 2 yrs. 4 mos. _____ ds.
Contributory Angina Pectoris
(Secondary) (Duration) _____ yrs. _____ mos. 3 hours

(Signed) E. H. Miller M. D.
Aug 7, 1916 (Address) Liberty 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 Lawrence DATE OF BURIAL July 17, 1916

UNDERTAKER W. H. White ADDRESS Liberty Mo

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.

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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, 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 "Asthma," "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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Registration District No. 201 File No. _____
 Primary Registration District No. 3012 Registered No. 64
 St. _____ Ward _____

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2 FULL NAME William Franklin Gordon

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

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

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

17 I HEREBY CERTIFY, that I attended deceased from _____ to _____, 191____, that I saw him _____ alive on _____, 191____, and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at _____ m.

7 AGE _____ yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds. If LESS than 1 day, _____ hrs. or _____ min.?

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

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) _____

CONTRIBUTORY (Secondary) _____ (Duration) _____ yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds. (Signed) _____ M. D. _____, 191____ (Address) _____

14 THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE (Informant) W. J. Gooden (Address) Liberty, Mo.

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