

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

1 PLACE OF DEATH

County Jasper

Township \_\_\_\_\_

or Village \_\_\_\_\_

or City Joplin

Registration District No. 411

Primary Registration District No. 2009

File No. 28246

Registered No. 533

(No. 511 Pearl St. \_\_\_\_\_ Ward)

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

FULL NAME Ralph H Tenney

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

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

6 DATE OF BIRTH Oct 5 1880  
(Month) (Day) (Year)

7 AGE 36 yrs. 9 mos. 29 ds. If LESS than 1 day.....hrs. or.....min.?

8 OCCUPATION  
(a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work Power worker  
(b) General nature of industry business, or establishment in which employed (or employer) Hercules Powder Co.

9 BIRTHPLACE (City or town, State or foreign country) New Jersey

10 NAME OF FATHER Harrison Tenney

11 BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (City or town, State or foreign country) N.J.

12 MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Don't know

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

14 THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE  
(Informant) Mrs R H Tenney  
(Address) Joplin Mo.

15 Filed 8-18 1916 Am Guy Registrar

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

16 DATE OF DEATH Aug 4 1916  
(Month) (Day) (Year)

17 I HEREBY CERTIFY, that I attended deceased from July 27 1916, to Aug 4 1916, that I last saw him alive on Aug 4 1916, and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 9 a.m.

The CAUSE OF DEATH\* was as follows:  
Endocarditis  
91A

(Duration) 6 mos. - ds.

CONTRIBUTORY (Secondary) \_\_\_\_\_

(Signed) McRae M. D.  
Aug 7 1916 (Address) Joplin Mo.

\*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 Mount Hope DATE OF BURIAL Aug 8 1916

20 UNDERTAKER Frank Lewis Co ADDRESS Joplin Mo.

Carefully supplied. AGE should be stated EXACTLY. PHYSICIANS should state EXACTLY. OCCUPATION is very important. State in plain terms, so that it may be properly classified. If death occurred in a hospital or institution, give its NAME instead of street and number.

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, 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

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REGISTRARS SHALL NOT RECEIVE  
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 LAW

Registration District No. 411 File No. \_\_\_\_\_  
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2 FULL NAME Ralph H. Penney

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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) \_\_\_\_\_

15 Filed 8-18 1916 R M Giff Registrar

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16 DATE OF DEATH Aug 4 1916 (Month) (Day) (Year)

17 I HEREBY CERTIFY, that I attended deceased from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_, 191\_\_\_\_, that I last saw h. \_\_\_\_\_ alive on \_\_\_\_\_, 191\_\_\_\_, and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at \_\_\_\_\_ m.

The CAUSE OF DEATH\* was as follows: Pneumonia Acute  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ (Duration) \_\_\_\_\_ yrs. \_\_\_\_\_ mos. \_\_\_\_\_ ds.

CONTRIBUTORY (Secondary) \_\_\_\_\_ (Duration) \_\_\_\_\_ yrs. \_\_\_\_\_ mos. \_\_\_\_\_ ds. (Signed) \_\_\_\_\_ M. D. \_\_\_\_\_, 191\_\_\_\_ (Address) \_\_\_\_\_

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20 UNDERTAKER \_\_\_\_\_ ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

EVERY ITEM OF INFORMATION HEREIN SHOULD BE CAREFULLY SUPPLIED. A FEE WILL BE CHARGED FOR THE PREPARATION OF A CERTIFICATE OF DEATH IN PLAIN TERMS, SO THAT IT MAY BE PROPERLY CLASSIFIED. EXACT STATEMENT OF OCCUPATION.

# Revised United States Standard Certificate of Death

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