

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

1 PLACE OF DEATH

County Oregon Registration District No. 632 File No. 35156  
Township Thayer or Legt Primary Registration District No. 4782 Registered No. 3834  
City (NO.          St.          Ward         )

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

2 FULL NAMES Samuel B Pierce

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

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

6 DATE OF BIRTH June 18, 65  
(Month) (Day) (Year)

7 AGE 59 yrs 4 mos 9 ds.  
If LESS than 1 day, hrs. or min.?

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

9 BIRTHPLACE  
(City or town, State or foreign country) Oregon Co

PARENTS  
10 NAME OF FATHER Samuel Pierce  
11 BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (City or town, State or foreign country) Tenn.  
12 MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Kitty Fresh  
13 BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (City or town, State or foreign country) Tenn.

14 THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE  
(Informant) Samuel B Pierce  
(Address) Thayer, Mo

15 Filed 9/10/1916 W B Skapp Registrar

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

16 DATE OF DEATH 9-10-1916  
(Month) (Day) (Year)

17 I HEREBY CERTIFY, that I attended deceased from June, 1916, to 11-8, 1916, that I last saw h. 6 alive on 9-10-8, 1916, and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 3 a.m.  
The CAUSE OF DEATH\* was as follows:

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CONTRIBUTORY (Secondary)           
(Duration)          yrs.          mos.          ds.  
(Signed) A. C. Campbell M. D.  
Thayer, Mo  
(Address)         

\*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 Thayer, Mo DATE OF BURIAL Oct. 10, 1916

20 UNDERTAKER E. C. Goetting ADDRESS Thayer, Mo

This certificate is to be filed in the office of the Registrar of the Missouri State Board of Health, St. Louis, Missouri, and a copy of it may be properly classified. Exact statement of DC.

# Revised United States Standard Certificate of Death

[Approved by U. S. Census and American Public Health  
Association]

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**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.)

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Dropsy caused by  
valvular heart trouble  
(Duration) 1 yrs 10 mos.

CONTRIBUTORY

(Secondary)

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

(Signed) W.C. Cantelph M.D.

10-9-1916 (Address) Hayes, Mo.

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Original file, date..... OCT 1916, 19.....

All information called for must be written on this Supplementary Certificate.

SUPPLEMENTARY

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