

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

1 PLACE OF DEATH

County Andrew
Township Madison
or
Village
or
City

Registration District No. 13 File No. 39850

Primary Registration District No. 8016 Registered No. 44

(No. Northgate Sanitarium Ward)

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

2 FULL NAME Mr J M Finch

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

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

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

7 AGE 79 yrs. mos. ds. If LESS than 1 day, hrs. or min.?

8 OCCUPATION
(a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work Retired R.R. man
(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)

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

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MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

16 DATE OF DEATH Dec 23 1916
(Month) (Day) (Year)

17 I HEREBY CERTIFY, that I attended deceased from 12-2-1916 to 12-23-1916
that I last saw him alive on 12-23-1916
and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 10:30 a.m.

The CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows:
Erysipelas of face
15B
111A
(Duration) yrs. mos. 4 ds.

CONTRIBUTORY
(Secondary)
(Duration) yrs. mos. ds.
(Signed) Willard A. Stearns M. D.
12-25-1916 (Address) Sassanah 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. 21 ds. In the State yrs. mos. 21 ds.
Where was disease contracted if not at place of death?
Former or usual residence Wymore, Neb.

19 PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL Wymore Neb DATE OF BURIAL Dec 26 1916
20 UNDERTAKER J. J. Serburne ADDRESS Sassanah

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) *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, 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.)

4. 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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Registration District No. *13* File No. _____
 Primary Registration District No. *5016* Registered No. *4-4*

(NO. _____ St. _____ Ward _____)

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2 FULL NAME

Mr. J. M. Finch

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

1 SEX *Male*
 4 COLOR OR RACE *White*
 5 SINGLE MARRIED WIDOWED OR DIVORCED *Married*
 (Write the word)

6 DATE OF BIRTH *Not known*
 (Month) _____ (Day) _____ (Year) _____

7 AGE *79* yrs. _____ mos. _____ da.
 IF LESS than 1 day _____ hrs. or _____ min.?

8 OCCUPATION *Retired Rail Road*
 (Trade, profession, or particular kind of work)
 (b) General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which employed (or employer)

9 BIRTHPLACE *English*
 (City or town, State or foreign country)

10 NAME OF FATHER *Not known*

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

12 MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER *Not known*

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

14 THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE

(Informant) *W. G. Stearns*
 (Address) *Sassaparilla Mo.*

Filed *Dec 25*, 191*7*. _____ Registrar

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

16 DATE OF DEATH *Dec 23*, 191*6*
 (Month) _____ (Day) _____ (Year) _____

17 I HEREBY CERTIFY, that I attended deceased from *12-22* 191*6* to *12-23* 191*6*
 that I last saw him alive on *12-25* 191*6*
 and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at *10:50 P.M.*

The CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows:
Erysipelas of face
Acute Endocarditis
 (Duration) _____ yrs. _____ mos. *6* da.

CONTRIBUTORY *Erysipelas of face*
 (Secondary) (Duration) _____ yrs. _____ mos. *4* da.

(Signed) *William A. Stearns* M.D.
2-5-, 191*7* (Address) *Sassaparilla Mo.*

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Where was disease contracted if not at place of death? *St. Michael's Sanitarium*

Former or regular residence *Wymour Mo.*

19 PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL _____ DATE OF BURIAL _____, 191*...*

20 UNDERTAKER _____ ADDRESS _____

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