

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

1 PLACE OF DEATH

County Butler

Township Poplar Bluff

Village \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

Registration District No. 89

Primary Registration District No. 5131

(NO. \_\_\_\_\_ St. \_\_\_\_\_ Ward \_\_\_\_\_)

File No. 40147

Registered No. 213

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

2 FULL NAME James E. Sourwood

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

3 SEX Male 4 COLOR OR RACE White 5 SINGLE MARRIED Married WIDOWED OR DIVORCED (If wife the word)

6 DATE OF BIRTH April 5 1899  
(Month) (Day) (Year)

7 AGE 67 1/2 yrs. 10 mos. 13 ds. If LESS than 1 day, \_\_\_\_\_ hrs. or \_\_\_\_\_ min.?

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

9 BIRTHPLACE (City or town, State or foreign country) Ohio

PARENTS 10 NAME OF FATHER Don't know 11 BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (City or town, State or foreign country) Don't know 12 MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Don't know 13 BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (City or town, State or foreign country) Don't know

14 THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE (Informant) Elmer Sourwood (Address) Poplar Bluff mo

15 Filed Dec 20 1916 Katie Ellis Registrar

2) MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

16 DATE OF DEATH Dec 17 1916  
(Month) (Day) (Year)

17 I HEREBY CERTIFY, that I attended deceased from Dec 12 1916 to Dec 17 1916, that I last saw him alive on Dec 15 1916, and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 8:30 m.

The CAUSE OF DEATH\* was as follows:

Lobe Pneumonia  
97 1/2 (Duration) \_\_\_\_\_ yrs. \_\_\_\_\_ mos. \_\_\_\_\_ ds.

CONTRIBUTORY (Secondary) Hardening of arteries  
(Duration) 4 yrs. \_\_\_\_\_ mos. \_\_\_\_\_ ds.  
(Signed) O. W. Williamson M. D.  
Dec 18 1916 (Address) Poplar Bluff mo

\*State the Disease Causing Death, or, in death from Violent Cause, 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 Poplar Bluff DATE OF BURIAL Dec 17 1916  
20 UNDERTAKER None ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

# 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 *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.)

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Registration District No. *89* File No.  
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2 FULL NAME *James E. Luskwood*

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

SEX  
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5 SINGLE MARRIED WIDOWED OR DIVORCED (Write the word)

6 DATE OF BIRTH  
(Month) (Day) 1 (Year)

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IF LESS than 1 day... hrs. or... min.?  
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(Informant)  
(Address)

Filed *Feb 10* 191*7* *Kate Ellis* Registrar

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16 DATE OF DEATH  
*Dec. 7, 1916*  
(Month) (Day) (Year)

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

The CAUSE OF DEATH\* was as follows:

(Duration) yrs. mos. ds.

CONTRIBUTORY (Secondary)  
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(Signed) M. D.  
191 (Address)

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20 UNDERTAKER *None* ADDRESS *None*

SUPPLEMENTARY

Original file, date. DEC 1916, 19

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

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