

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

1 PLACE OF DEATH

County Greene  
Township Jackson  
or  
Village  
or  
City

Registration District No. 322 File No. 40750

Primary Registration District No. 5447 Registered No. 30

(NO. St. Ward)

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

2 FULL NAME Arthur Benton Potter

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

3 SEX boy 4 COLOR OR RACE w. 5 SINGLE infant  
MARRIED  
WIDOWED  
OR DIVORCED  
(Write the word)

6 DATE OF BIRTH Aug. 19 1914  
(Month) (Day) (Year)

7 AGE 22 yrs 3 mos 17 ds.  
If LESS than 1 day, hrs. or min.?

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 Springfield Mo.  
(City or town, State or foreign country)

PARENTS  
10 NAME OF FATHER Henry Benton Potter  
11 BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER Dallas Co. Texas  
(City or town, State or foreign country)  
12 MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Lillie H. Tagley  
13 BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER McDonagh Co. Ill.  
(City or town, State or foreign country)

14 THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE  
(Informant) A. B. Potter  
(Address) Stratford Bk 3

15 Dec 30 1916 Registrar M. T. Edmondson

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

16 DATE OF DEATH Dec 6 1916  
(Month) (Day) (Year)

17 I HEREBY CERTIFY, that I attended deceased from Dec 5 1916 to Dec 6 1916, that I last saw him alive on Dec 6 1916 and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 1:20 PM m.

The CAUSE OF DEATH\* was as follows:  
181 Burned accidentally  
186A

(Duration) yrs. mos. 18 hours

CONTRIBUTORY (Secondary)

(Signed) M. T. Edmondson M. D.  
Dec 6 1916 (Address) Pearl Grove

\*State the Disease Causing Death, or, in death 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 Pleasant Ridge DATE OF BURIAL Dec 7 1916

20 UNDERTAKER Blair ADDRESS Pearl Grove

# 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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15 Filed DEC 30 1916 W. M. Edmundson Registrar

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 (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

THE CAUSE OF DEATH was as follows:  
Burned accidentally  
fell in a tub of  
boiling water  
 (Duration) yrs. mos. ds.

CONTRIBUTORY (Secondary)  
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 (Signed) W. M. Edmundson M. D.  
Dec 6 1916 (Address) Panora

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