

N. 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.

MISSOURI STATE BOARD OF HEALTH  
BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS  
CERTIFICATE OF DEATH 41074

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PLACE OF DEATH  
County Jefferson  
Township North  
or  
Village  
or  
City St. Louis (No. German St. Hospital Ward)

Registration District No. 1002 File No. 4080

Primary Registration District No. Registered No.

2 FULL NAME Gilbert R. Fleming

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

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

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

16 DATE OF DEATH Dec. 13<sup>th</sup> 1916  
(Month) (Day) (Year)

6 DATE OF BIRTH Sept 3<sup>rd</sup> 1840  
(Month) (Day) (Year)

17 I HEREBY CERTIFY, that I attended deceased from Dec 13 1916 to 12/13 1916  
that I last saw h. W alive on 12-13 1916  
and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 2 a. m.

7 AGE 76 yrs. 3 mos. 10 ds. If LESS than 1 day... hrs. or... min.?

The CAUSE OF DEATH\* was as follows:

8 OCCUPATION (a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work Coal & Grain Merchant  
(b) General nature of industry, business or establishment in which employed (or employer)

Myocarditis  
74 sunstroke  
(Duration) yrs. mos. ds.

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

fracture hip joint  
(Duration) yrs. mos. ds.

10 NAME OF FATHER Don't know

CONTRIBUTORY (Secondary) accident of fall  
(Duration) yrs. mos. ds.

11 BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (City or town, State or foreign country) Don't know

(Signed) Ernest J. Roberts  
17/14/1916 (Address) 603 1/2 14<sup>th</sup> St. St. Louis

12 MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Don't know

\*State the Disease Causing Death, or, in deaths from Violent Causes, state (1) Means of Injury; and (2) whether Accidental, Suicidal or Homicidal.

13 BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (City or town, State or foreign country) Don't know

18 LENGTH OF RESIDENCE (For Hospitals, Institutions, Transients, or Recent Residents)  
At place of death... yrs. 1 mos. 6 ds. In the 17 State... yrs. mos. ds.

14 THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE

Where was disease contracted if not at place of death?

(Informant) Mr. H. R. Fleming  
(Address) 15 E. 31<sup>st</sup> St.

Former or usual residence. 15 E. 31<sup>st</sup> St.

15 Filed DEC 14 1916 91 Jos. F. Miller  
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19 PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL Forest Hill DATE OF BURIAL 12/15/1916  
20 UNDERTAKER German Marshall ADDRESS 3146

# 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," "Fireman," "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 specially 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, 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), *20 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 septicæmia," "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.)