

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

1 PLACE OF DEATH

County Barry  
Township Trenton  
or  
Village  
or  
City Trenton

Registration District No. 330 File No. 5545  
Primary Registration District No. 3017 Registered No. 23  
St. \_\_\_\_\_ Ward \_\_\_\_\_

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

2 FULL NAME William Henry Harris

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

3 SEX Male 4 COLOR OR RACE White 5 SINGLE MARRIED WIDOWED OR DIVORCED (Write the word)  
6 DATE OF BIRTH June 18 1917  
(Month) (Day) (Year)  
7 AGE 56 yrs. 4 mos. 4 ds. If LESS than 1 day, hrs. or min.?

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

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

10 NAME OF FATHER John Harris  
11 BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (City or town, State or foreign country) Kentucky  
12 MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Deborah Burns  
13 BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (City or town, State or foreign country) Kentucky

14 THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE (Informant) Clendon Harris  
(Address) Trenton Mo.

15 Filed Feb 25 1917 E. A. Duffy Registrar

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

16 DATE OF DEATH July 27 1917  
(Month) (Day) (Year)

17 I HEREBY CERTIFY, that I attended deceased from July 18 1917, to July 27 1917, that I last saw him alive on July 27 1917, and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 8 a. m.

The CAUSE OF DEATH\* was as follows:  
34 Acute yellow Atrophy Liver

31 (Duration) 12 yrs. 3 mos. 3 ds.

CONTRIBUTORY Syphilitic  
(Secondary) (Duration) 31 yrs. 3 mos. 3 ds.

(Signed) J. B. Wright M. D.  
Feb 23 1917 (Address) Trenton 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. \_\_\_\_\_ 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 \_\_\_\_\_ DATE OF BURIAL \_\_\_\_\_ 1917

20 UNDERTAKER \_\_\_\_\_ ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

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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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County

Grundy

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LAW

Township

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330

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Village

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(Informant)

(Address)

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DATE OF BURIAL

Pruett Mo

Feb 24 1917

20 UNDERTAKER

ADDRESS

J. W. Gibson

Pruett Mo.

Original file, date

FEB

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

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