

MISSOURI STATE BOARD OF HEALTH
BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS

CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

1 PLACE OF DEATH

County Berry
Township Crabe
or
Village
or
City (NO. _____ St. _____ Ward _____)

Registration District No. 32 File No. 17664

Primary Registration District No. 5046 Registered No. 74

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

2 FULL NAME Laura M. Shafer

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

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

6 DATE OF BIRTH April 5 1861
(Month) (Day) (Year)

7 AGE 56 yrs. 1 mos. 24 ds. If LESS than 1 day _____ hrs. or _____ min.?

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

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

PARENTS
10 NAME OF FATHER John P. Steel
11 BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (City or town, State or foreign country) Illinois
12 MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Maggie Brady
13 BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (City or town, State or foreign country) Ohio

14 THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE
(Informant) Lee Shafer
(Address) Aurora Mo R.F.D.

15 Filed June 9 1917
Registrar M. W. McMillan

2 MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

16 DATE OF DEATH May 29 1917
(Month) (Day) (Year)

17 I HEREBY CERTIFY, that I attended deceased from May 13 1917 to May 29 1917 that I last saw him alive on May 29 1917 and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 11 P m.

The CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows:
Aortic Insufficiency
16 1/2 (Duration) yrs. 17 mos. 17 ds.

CONTRIBUTORY Accidental Burn
(Secondary) (Duration) yrs. mos. ds. 17 ds.
(Signed) A. M. Townsend M. D.
May 30 1917 (Address) Aurora 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 usual residence

19 PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL Osa Cemetery DATE OF BURIAL May 30 1917

20 UNDERTAKER Manly & Bowman ADDRESS Aurora Mo

CAUSE OF DEATH should be carefully supplied. AGE should be stated EXACTLY. PHYSICIANS should state in plain terms, so that it may be properly classified. Exact statement of OCCUPATION is very important.

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 report "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, 8 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*; *Broncho-pneumonia* ("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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 6 DATE OF BIRTH (Month) (Day) 1 (Year)
 7 AGE yrs. mos. ds. IF LESS than 1 day, hrs. or min.?

16 DATE OF DEATH May 29, 1917
 (Month) (Day) (Year)
 17 I HEREBY CERTIFY, that I attended deceased from _____, 191____, to _____, 191____, that I saw him alive on _____, 191____, and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at _____ m.

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

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Aortic Insufficiency
No, not a complication

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

CONTRIBUTORY (Secondary) Accidental Burn
 (Duration) yrs. mos. ds. 17
 (Signed) Thomas D. Miller M. D.
May 30, 1917 (Address) Amata, Mo.

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

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15 Filed 6-9, 1917 GT Wheeler Registrar

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