

N. B.—Every item of information should be carefully checked. The cause of death 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

1 PLACE OF DEATH
County Cape Girardeau
Township D
or
Village
or
City Cape Girardeau Mo.

Registration District No. 125 File No. 17976
Primary Registration District No. 3009 Registered No. 1600
St. _____ Ward _____

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

2 FULL NAME Eliza Stevens

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

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| 3 SEX <u>Female</u> | 4 COLOR OR RACE <u>Colored</u> | 5 SINGLE MARRIED WIDOWED OR DIVORCED (Write the word) <u>Single</u> |
| 6 DATE OF BIRTH <u>29 37</u> (Month) <u>8 31</u> (Day) 19 <u>17</u> (Year) | | |
| 7 AGE <u>about 86</u> yrs. — mos. — ds. | | If LESS than 1 day, hrs. or min.? |
| 8 OCCUPATION (a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work <u>Housework</u> (b) General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which employed (or employer) | | |
| 9 BIRTHPLACE (City or town, State or foreign country) <u>Cape Girardeau Mo.</u> | | |
| PARENTS | 10 NAME OF FATHER <u>Elx Harris</u> | |
| | 11 BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (City or town, State or foreign country) <u>Don't know</u> | |
| | 12 MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER <u>Kannah Short</u> | |
| | 13 BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (City or town, State or foreign country) <u>Don't know</u> | |

14 THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE
(Informant) Dave Steven
(Address) Cape Girardeau Mo.

15 Filed May 17 1917 R. W. Finsell
Registrar

3 MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

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

17 I HEREBY CERTIFY, that I attended deceased from April 1917 to May 10 1917 that I last saw her alive on May 10 1917 and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 9 P m.

The CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows:
Old age
56 E
162
(Duration) yrs. mos. ds.

CONTRIBUTORY Rheumatism
(Secondary) one yr (Duration) yrs. mos. ds.

8 (Signed) John W. Patterson M. D.
May 17 1917 (Address) 106 Broadway

*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 Frankmont Cem DATE OF BURIAL May 18 1917

20 UNDERTAKER Frank A & W Co ADDRESS Cape Girardeau Mo.

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 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, 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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File No. _____

Village _____ or _____

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

The CAUSE OF DEATH was as follows: old age
Heart failure
(Duration) _____ yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds.

CONTRIBUTORY Pneumonia (Secondary) (Duration) _____ yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds. (Signed) John H. Patterson M. D. May 17 1917 (Address) 106 Broadway

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19 PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL _____ DATE OF BURIAL _____, 191____

20 UNDERTAKER _____ ADDRESS _____

N. B.—Every item of information should be supplied. A copy of this certificate should be retained in plain text.

L. Should be at least 14 years of age. Exact statement of OCCUPATION important.

Satisfactory information supplied.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SUPPLIED.

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