

MISSOURI STATE BOARD OF HEALTH  
BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS

CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

1 PLACE OF DEATH

County Harrison  
Township Madison  
or  
Village  
or  
City

Registration District No. 336 File No. 12893<sup>a</sup>  
Primary Registration District No. 5747 Registered No. 13  
St. \_\_\_\_\_ Ward \_\_\_\_\_

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

2 FULL NAME

Guy Alexander

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

3 SEX M 4 COLOR OR RACE W 5 SINGLE MARRIED WIDOWED OR DIVORCED Single  
(Write the word)

16 DATE OF DEATH Apr 27, 1918  
(Month) (Day) (Year)

6 DATE OF BIRTH Oct 5, 1908  
(Month) (Day) (Year)

17 I HEREBY CERTIFY, that I attended deceased from Apr 12, 1918, to Apr 27, 1918, that I last saw him alive on Apr 27, 1918, and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 8 P. m.

7 AGE 9 yrs. 6 mos. 22 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 At Home  
(b) General nature of industry business, or establishment in which employed (or employer) V

meningitis

9 BIRTHPLACE (City or town, State or foreign country) Harrison Co Mo.

(Duration) yrs. mos. 3 ds.

10 NAME OF FATHER Towa Alexander

CONTRIBUTORY (Secondary) Pneumonia following  
(Duration) yrs. mos. 15 ds.

11 BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (City or town, State or foreign country) Harrison Co Mo.

(Signed) R. A. Eason M. D.  
1918 (Address) Causeville

12 MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Ella Putnam

13 BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (City or town, State or foreign country) S. Dak<sup>†</sup>

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

14 THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE (Informant) Mrs Eva Alexander  
(Address) Causeville Mo

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.

15 June 13, 1918 C. E. Odum  
Registrar

19 PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL Akron Care DATE OF BURIAL Apr 28, 1918

20 UNDERTAKER W. W. Estep ADDRESS Causeville Mo.

# Revised United States Standard Certificate of Death

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County Hammon Registration District No. 336 File No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Township Madison Primary Registration District No. 5471 Registered No. 13  
 City \_\_\_\_\_ (No. \_\_\_\_\_) St. \_\_\_\_\_ Ward \_\_\_\_\_

**2. FULL NAME**

Guy Alexander  
 (a) Residence, No. \_\_\_\_\_ St. \_\_\_\_\_ Ward \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Usual place of abode) (If nonresident give city or town and State)  
 Length of residence in city or town where death occurred yrs. mos. ds. How long in U.S., if of foreign birth? yrs. mos. ds.

**PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS**

3. SEX M 4. COLOR OR RACE W 5. SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED OR DIVORCED B  
(write the word)

5A. If MARRIED, WIDOWED, OR DIVORCED HUSBAND OF (OR) WIFE OF \_\_\_\_\_

6. DATE OF BIRTH (MONTH, DAY AND YEAR) \_\_\_\_\_

7. AGE YEARS MONTHS DAYS If LESS than 1 day, hrs. or min.  
9 \_\_\_\_\_

**8. OCCUPATION OF DECEASED**

(a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work school boy  
 (b) General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which employed (or employer) \_\_\_\_\_  
 (c) Name of employer \_\_\_\_\_

9. BIRTHPLACE (CITY OR TOWN) Madison, Missouri  
 (STATE OR COUNTRY)

10. NAME OF FATHER Tom Alexander

11. BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (CITY OR TOWN) \_\_\_\_\_  
 (STATE OR COUNTRY)

12. MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER \_\_\_\_\_

13. BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (CITY OR TOWN) \_\_\_\_\_  
 (STATE OR COUNTRY)

14. INFORMANT (Address) \_\_\_\_\_

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**MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH**

16. DATE OF DEATH (MONTH, DAY AND YEAR) Apr 27 1918

17. I HEREBY CERTIFY That I attended deceased from Apr 25 1918, to Apr 27 1918, that I last saw him alive on Apr 24 1918, and that death occurred, in the date stated above, at \_\_\_\_\_ m.

THE CAUSE OF DEATH\* WAS AS FOLLOWS:

Meningitis  
Not epidemic  
 (duration) \_\_\_\_\_ yrs. \_\_\_\_\_ mos. \_\_\_\_\_ ds.

CONTRIBUTORY Immuna following Measles  
 (SECONDARY) (duration) \_\_\_\_\_ yrs. \_\_\_\_\_ mos. \_\_\_\_\_ ds.

18. WHERE WAS DISEASE CONTRACTED  
 IF NOT AT PLACE OF DEATH: \_\_\_\_\_

DID AN OPERATION PRECEDE DEATH? \_\_\_\_\_ DATE OF \_\_\_\_\_

WAS THERE AN AUTOPSY? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT TEST CONFIRMED DIAGNOSIS?  
 (Signed) R. C. Evans, M. D.  
 , 19 \_\_\_\_\_ (Address) Camsville

\*State the DISEASE CAUSING DEATH, or in deaths from VIOLENT CAUSES, state (1) MEANS AND NATURE OF INJURY, and (2) whether ACCIDENTAL, SUICIDAL, or HOMICIDAL. (See reverse side for additional space.)

19. PLACE OF BURIAL, CREMATION, OR REMOVAL DATE OF BURIAL

20. UNDERTAKER ADDRESS

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NOTE.—Individual offices may add to above list of undesirable terms and refuse to accept certificates containing them. Thus the form in use in New York City states: "Certificates will be returned for additional information which give any of the following diseases, without explanation, as the sole cause of death; Abortion, cellulitis, childbirth, convulsions, hemorrhage, gangrene, gastritis, erysipelas, meningitis, miscarriage, necrosis, peritonitis, phlebitis, pyemia, septicemia, tetanus." But general adoption of the minimum list suggested will work vast improvement, and its scope can be extended at a later date.

ADDITIONAL SPACE FOR FURTHER STATEMENTS  
BY PHYSICIAN.