

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

1 PLACE OF DEATH

County Jackson
Township Kan
Village Kennett Mo
City Kennett Mo

Registration District No. 399 File No. 17109
Primary Registration District No. 1009 Registered No. 307
St. _____ Ward _____

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

2 FULL NAME

Samuel S. Shirk

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

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MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

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

16 DATE OF DEATH May 17 1918
(Month) (Day) (Year)

6 DATE OF BIRTH March 16 1904
(Month) (Day) (Year)

17 I HEREBY CERTIFY, that I attended deceased from May 6, 1918, to May 17, 1918, that I last saw him alive on May 17, 1918, and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 9:30 A. m.
The CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows:
Broncho-Pneumonia

7 AGE 14 yrs. 2 mos. 1 ds. IF LESS than 1 day, hrs. or min.?

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

9 (Duration) yrs. mos. ds. 107A yrs. mos. 3 ds.
CONTRIBUTORY Scarlet fever 7 ds - measles
(Secondary) (Duration) yrs. mos. ds. 3 ds.
(Signed) H. H. Olsen M. D.
(Address) K.C. Gen. Hosp. 2. Mo.

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

10 NAME OF FATHER N. A. Shirk
11 BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (City or town, State or foreign country) Ill.
12 MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER May A. Goddard
13 BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (City or town, State or foreign country) Mo.

18 LENGTH OF RESIDENCE (For Hospitals, Institutions, Transients, or Recent Residents)
At place of death yrs. mos. ds. In the 14 yrs. mos. ds. State Mo.
Where was disease contracted if not at place of death?
Former or usual residence Polo Mo

14 THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE
(Informant) N. G. Shirk
(Address) Polo Mo

19 PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL Polo Mo DATE OF BURIAL May 17 1918
20 UNDERTAKER Carroll Mack ADDRESS 1915 East 15

15 Filed May 17 1918 Registrar Edw. Owen

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

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, Composer, 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 child-birth 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.)