

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

1 PLACE OF DEATH

County Moniteau
Township Willowfork
or
Village
or
City Dipton Mo (NO. St. Ward)

Registration District No. 575 File No. 4 23948
Primary Registration District No. 5771 Registered No. 4

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

2 FULL NAME Melma Lewis

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

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

6 DATE OF BIRTH Jan 15 1905
(Month) (Day) (Year)

7 AGE 13 yrs. 5 mos. 27 ds. If LESS than 1 day, hrs. or min.?

8 OCCUPATION
(a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work none
(b) General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which employed (or employer)

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

PARENTS
10 NAME OF FATHER Ed Lewis
11 BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (City or town, State or foreign country) Missouri
12 MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER
13 BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (City or town, State or foreign country)

14 THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE

(Informant) Ada Lewis
(Address) Dipton Mo

15 Filed Aug 12, 1918 P C Flood
Registrar

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

16 DATE OF DEATH July 12th 1918
(Month) (Day) (Year)

17 I HEREBY CERTIFY, that I attended deceased from Jan 1st, 1918, to July 15th, 1918, that I last saw her alive on July 10th, 1918, and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 12 A.M.

The CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows:
Tuberculosis of Lungs
Jan 28
(Duration) 1 yrs. 5 mos. 27 ds.

CONTRIBUTORY (Secondary)
(Duration) 1 yrs. 5 mos. 27 ds.
(Signed) John H. Marsh M. D.
July 12, 1918 (Address) Dipton Mo

*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 13 yrs. 5 mos. 27 ds. In the State Mo yrs. 5 mos. 27 ds.
Where was disease contracted if not at place of death?
Former or usual residence

19 PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL Calad Cemetery Dipton Mo DATE OF BURIAL July 14, 1918

20 UNDERTAKER C F Miller ADDRESS Dipton Mo

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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, 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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Township Wellington
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Registration District No. 575
Primary Registration District No. 5771

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2. FULL NAME

Mena Lewis

(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 F 4. COLOR OR RACE B 5. SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED OR DIVORCED S (write the word)

5A. IF MARRIED, WIDOWED, OR DIVORCED HUSBAND OF (OR) WIFE OF

6. DATE OF BIRTH (MONTH, DAY AND YEAR) Jan 16 1905

7. AGE YEARS MONTHS DAYS If LESS than 1 day, ... hr. ... min. or ... sec.
13 5 27

8. OCCUPATION OF DECEASED

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

9. BIRTHPLACE (CITY OR TOWN) (STATE OR COUNTRY) Mo

10. NAME OF FATHER Ed Lewis

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

12. MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Ada Hunter

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

PARENTS

14. INFORMANT Ada Lewis (Address) Pipton Mo

15. FILED Aug 12 1918 P C Flood REGISTRAR

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

16. DATE OF DEATH (MONTH, DAY AND YEAR) July 13 1918

17. I HEREBY CERTIFY That I attended deceased from June 29 1918 to July 12 1918 that I first saw him alive on July 11 1918, and that death occurred on the date stated above at 12 a.m.

THE CAUSE OF DEATH* WAS AS FOLLOWS:

Tubercolosis of lung

CONTRIBUTORY (SECONDARY) 28 (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) Jno W Marsh, M. D. July 10 1918 (Address) Pipton Mo

*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

Pipton Colored Cemetery July 14 1918
20. UNDERTAKER C F Miller ADDRESS Pipton Mo

ALL INFORMATION CALLED FOR MUST BE WRITTEN ON THIS SUPPLEMENTARY.

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Every item of information on this certificate is important, so that it may be properly filed. REGISTRARS SHALL NOT RECEIVE A FEE FOR CERTIFICATES UNTIL 7

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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.

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