

WRITE PLAINLY WITH UNFADING INK—THIS IS A PERMANENT RECORD.

N. B.—Every item of information should be carefully supplied. AGE 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. See instructions on back of certificate.

PLACE OF DEATH.

REGISTRATION NO. 31555-a STATE OF KANSAS. STATE BOARD OF HEALTH—DIVISION OF VITAL STATISTICS. 471

County Barton

Township East Mulberry

City East Mulberry, Mo.

Full Name Maria Bignis

STATE OF KANSAS.

STATE BOARD OF HEALTH—DIVISION OF VITAL STATISTICS.

STANDARD CERTIFICATE OF DEATH. 31555-a

Registered ward. No. 47

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

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS.

Sex Female Color or Race White Single, Married, Widowed, or Divorced. Married

Date of Birth November 11 1901

Age 17 yrs 10 mos 26 ds. If LESS than 1 day, hrs. or min.

Occupation. (a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work. Housewife

Birthplace. (State or country). Italy

Parents. 10 Name of Father. Toney Bignis

11 Birthplace of Father. (State or country). Italy

12 Maiden name of Mother. Maria Fassino

13 Birthplace of Mother. (State or country). Italy

14 The above is true to the best of my knowledge. (Informant) Toney Bignis (Address) East Mulberry Mo.

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MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH.

Date of Death. Oct - 26 - 1918

I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from Oct 15 1918, to Oct 26 1918

that I last saw her alive on Oct 26 1918 and that death occurred on the date stated above, at 12 M.

The CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows: Pneumonia Lobar

Contributory (Secondary.) Influenza

(Signed) A. E. Wern M. D. Oct 27 1918 (Address) Mulberry, 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

19 Place of Burial or Removal. Rosebank Date of Burial. Oct. 27 1918

20 Undertaker. Frank [unclear] Address: Mulberry, 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," "Déaler," 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, 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.)