

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

1 PLACE OF DEATH

County Callaway.  
Township Burbon.  
or  
Village  
or  
City..... (NO.....St.....Ward)

Registration District No. 107 File No. 32107  
Primary Registration District No. 5156 Registered No. 8

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

2 FULL NAME John Henry Scruggs.

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

3 SEX male 4 COLOR OR RACE White 5 SINGLE MARRIED WIDOWED OF DIVORCED (Write the word) Married.

6 DATE OF BIRTH May 5, 1848  
(Month) (Day) (Year)

7 AGE 70 yrs. 5 mos. 14 ds. If LESS than 1 day, hrs. or min.?

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

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

PARENTS  
10 NAME OF FATHER Dont Know  
11 BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (City or town, State or foreign country) Dont know  
12 MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Dont Know.  
13 BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (City or town, State or foreign country) Dont know

14 THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE  
(Informant) Will Burt  
(Address) Fulton, Mo

15 Filed Oct. 25<sup>th</sup> 1918 Mary S. Walker  
Registrar

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

16 DATE OF DEATH October 19, 1918  
(Month) (Day) (Year)

17 I HEREBY CERTIFY, that I attended deceased from April, 1918 to Oct 19, 1918  
that I last saw him alive on Oct 16, 1918  
and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 830 P m.

The CAUSE OF DEATH\* was as follows:  
Abscess of the liver  
196<sup>th</sup> 60  
about 10 yrs. 10 mos. ds.  
(Duration) (yrs.) (mos.) (ds.)

CONTRIBUTORY (Secondary)  
(Duration) yrs. mos. ds.  
(Signed) W. Burt M. D.  
10-24, 1918 (Address) Fulton 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 Millers Creek Ch- DATE OF BURIAL Oct 21st, 1918

20 UNDERTAKER E. W. Henderson ADDRESS Fulton, Mo.

# Revised United States Standard Certificate of Death

[Approved by U. S. Census and American Public Health  
Association.]

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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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City (No. ....) (St. ....) (Ward)

Registration District No. 107  
Primary Registration District No. 5156

File No. ....  
Registered No. ....

**2. FULL NAME**

(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.

*John Henry Scrupp?*

**PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS**

**4. COLOR OR RACE** W **5. SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED OR DIVORCED** (Write the word) M

MARRIED, WIDOWED, OR DIVORCED  
 HUSBAND OF (OR) WIFE OF

**DATE OF BIRTH** (MONTH, DAY AND YEAR)

AGE	YEARS	MONTHS	DAYS	IF LESS than 1 day, hr. or min.

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**THE CAUSE OF DEATH\* WAS AS FOLLOWS:**  
Abscess of the Liver  
115 (duration) Several months yrs. mos. ds.

**3. 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 .....

**CONTRIBUTORY (SECONDARY)** Dant Knaut (duration) ..... yrs. mos. ds.

**9. BIRTHPLACE (CITY OR TOWN)**

(STATE OR COUNTRY) .....

**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. M. News M. D.  
12-18-1918 (Address) Ballwin 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.)

PARENTS

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**11. BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (CITY OR TOWN)** .....

(STATE OR COUNTRY) .....

**12. MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER** .....

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(STATE OR COUNTRY) .....

**14. INFORMANT** .....

(Address) .....

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

**DATE OF BURIAL** .....

**15. FILED** Dec 18 1918 Mary A. Walker REGISTRAR

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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.