

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.

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

1 PLACE OF DEATH

County Adair Registration District No. 1067 File No. 37848 13
 Township Walnut or Primary Registration District No. 5009 Registered No. 13
 Village or City (NO. St. Ward) [If death occurred in a hospital or institution, give its NAME instead of street and number.]

2 FULL NAME William C. Walker

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

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

6 DATE OF BIRTH Oct 25 1882
(Month) (Day) (Year)

7 AGE 76 yrs. - 0 mos. - 12 ds. **If LESS than 1 day, hrs. or min.?**

8 OCCUPATION
 (a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work Retired Farmer
 (b) General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which employed X Y

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

PARENTS

10 NAME OF FATHER Can't Say

11 BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER
 (City or town, State or foreign country) Can't Say

12 MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Can't Say

13 BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER
 (City or town, State or foreign country) Can't Say

14 THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE
 (Informant) San Krasinski
 (Address) Bufford, Mo.

15
 Filed Nov 12 1918 John T. Morton
 Registrar

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

16 DATE OF DEATH Nov 5 1918
(Month) (Day) (Year)

17 I HEREBY CERTIFY, that I attended deceased from Oct 28, 1918 to Nov 5, 1918
 that I last saw him alive on Oct 28, 1918
 and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 11 P.M.

The CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows:
Cerebral Meninge
68 84
 (Duration) 2 yrs. 2 mos. 0 ds.

CONTRIBUTORY X X
 (Secondary) (Duration) 2 yrs. 2 mos. 0 ds.
 (Signed) H. H. Shepherd M. D.
Nov 7, 1918 (Address) Green Springs, 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 29 yrs. 0 mos. 0 ds. In the 29 yrs. 0 mos. 0 ds.
 Where was disease contracted if not at place of death?
 Former or usual residence Germany

19 PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL Wesleyan Cemetery **DATE OF BURIAL** Nov 1, 1918

20 UNDERTAKER Walker & Co. Corcoran **ADDRESS** Wesleyan, 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*, *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 the nature of the business or industry, and therefore an additional line is provided for the latter; it should be used only when needed. Examples: (a) *Spinner*, (b) *Cotton mill*; (a) *Sales-Trocery*; (a) *Foreman*, (b) *Automobile factory*. A person who has previously worked on may form part of the second line. Never return "Laborer," "Foreman," "Merchant," "Dealer," etc., without more precise description, as *Day laborer*, *Farm laborer*, *Laborer—unemployed*, etc. Women at home, who are engaged in the duties of the household only (not paid *Housework* to receive a definite salary), may be entered as *Wife*, *Housework*, or *At home*, and children, usually employed, as *At school* or *At home*. It should be taken to report specifically the occupation 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.)