

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

*D. Arnold*

1. PLACE OF DEATH  
 County Jasper Registration District No. 408 File No. 40212  
 Township Carthage Primary Registration District No. 3020 Registered No. 464  
 City Carthage (No. \_\_\_\_\_) St. \_\_\_\_\_ Ward \_\_\_\_\_

2. FULL NAME John Fansler  
 (a) Residence No. 1254 James 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. da. How long in U.S., if of foreign birth? yrs. mos. da.

**PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS**

**MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH**

3. SEX male 4. COLOR OR RACE white 5. SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED OR DIVORCED (write the word) married

16. DATE OF DEATH (MONTH, DAY AND YEAR) Nov. 29th 1918

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

17. I HEREBY CERTIFY: That I attended deceased from Nov 28, 1918, to Nov 29, 1918, that I last saw him alive on Nov 29, 1918 and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 12 a m.

6. DATE OF BIRTH (MONTH, DAY AND YEAR) May 10, 1846

THE CAUSE OF DEATH\* WAS AS FOLLOWS:  
Strangled Bowels

7. AGE YEARS MONTHS DAYS If LESS than 1 day, hrs. or min.  
72 6 19

CONTRIBUTORY (SECONDARY) \_\_\_\_\_ (duration) yrs. mos. da.

8. OCCUPATION OF DECEASED  
 (a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work Carpenter  
 (b) General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which employed (or employer) \_\_\_\_\_  
 (c) Name of employer \_\_\_\_\_

18. WHERE WAS DISEASE CONTRACTED  
 IF NOT AT PLACE OF DEATH, \_\_\_\_\_ DATE OF \_\_\_\_\_

9. BIRTHPLACE (CITY OR TOWN) Luna (STATE OR COUNTRY) Ohio

DID AN OPERATION PRECEDE DEATH? \_\_\_\_\_ DATE OF \_\_\_\_\_  
 WAS THERE AN AUTOPSY? \_\_\_\_\_

10. NAME OF FATHER John Fansler

WHAT TEST CONFIRMED DIAGNOSIS?  
 (Signed) R. Arnold, M. D.  
11-29, 1918 (Address) Carthage.

11. BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (CITY OR TOWN) Virginia (STATE OR COUNTRY) \_\_\_\_\_

12. MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Esther Frev

13. BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (CITY OR TOWN) Virginia (STATE OR COUNTRY) \_\_\_\_\_

\*State the DISEASE CAUSING DEATH, or in deaths from VIOLENCE CAUSES, state (1) MEANS AND NATURE OF INJURY, and (2) whether ACCIDENTAL, SUICIDAL, OR HOMICIDAL. (See reverse side for additional space.)

14. INFORMANT W. J. Fansler (Address) Richfield, Ill.

19. PLACE OF BURIAL, CREMATION, OR REMOVAL Adrian, Mo. DATE OF BURIAL Dec. 2 1918

15. FILED 11-1, 1918 C. Taylor REGISTRAR

20. UNDERTAKER Knell Und. Co. ADDRESS Carthage, Mo.

CAUSE OF DEATH in plain terms, so that it may be properly classified. Exact statement of OCCUPATION is very important.

# Revised United States Standard Certificate of Death

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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

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John Fessler

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PARENTS

10. NAME OF FATHER

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12. MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER

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15. FILED Feb 5, 1919 W. S. Taylor REGISTRAR

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16. DATE OF DEATH (MONTH, DAY AND YEAR) Nov 29 1918

17. I HEREBY CERTIFY That I attended deceased from Nov 28 1918 to Nov 29 1918 that I last saw him alive on Nov 28 1918 and that death occurred on the date stated above, at Carthage Mo.

THE CAUSE OF DEATH\* WAS AS FOLLOWS:

Strangulated Bowels

CONTRIBUTORY (SECONDARY) delay in operation relief hours

18. WHERE WAS DISEASE CONTRACTED

IF NOT AT PLACE OF DEATH.....

DID AN OPERATION PRECEDE DEATH? yes DATE OF .....

WAS THERE AN AUTOPSY? yes

WHAT TEST CONFIRMED DIAGNOSIS?

(Signed) R. Grwald, M. D.

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**ALL INFORMATION CALLED FOR MUST BE WRITTEN ON THIS SUPPLEMENTARY.**

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