

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**

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1 PLACE OF DEATH

County Osage
Township Jefferson
or
Village
or
City

Registration District No. 643 File No. _____
Primary Registration District No. 5852 Registered No. _____

(NO. _____) (St. _____) (Ward _____)

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

2 FULL NAME Nancy Bernilia Mitchell

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

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

16 DATE OF DEATH Nov 20 1918
(Month) (Day) (Year)

6 DATE OF BIRTH July 24 1884
(Month) (Day) (Year)

17 I HEREBY CERTIFY, that I attended deceased from Oct 11 1918 to Nov 20 1918
that I last saw her alive on Nov 19 1918

7 AGE 71 yrs. 3 mos. 26 ds.
If LESS than 1 day.....hrs. or.....min.?

and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 99 a.m.
The CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows:
Chronic Pericarditis

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

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12/18
(Duration) 2 yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds.

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

CONTRIBUTORY Chronic Pericarditis
(Secondary)
(Duration) 5 yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds.

10 NAME OF FATHER John Moss

(Signed) O. W. Myers M. D.
11/20 1918 (Address) Bella Mo

11 BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (City or town, State or foreign country) Don't know

12 MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Louis Knight

13 BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (City or town, State or foreign country) Don't know

*State the Disease Causing Death, or, in deaths from Violent Causes, state (1) Means of Injury; and (2) whether Accidental, Suicidal or Homicidal.

14 THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE
(Informant) Silas Mitchell
(Address) Bella Mo

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.....

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Filed Dec 7 1918 W. F. Myers
Registrar

19 PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL Francis County
20 UNDERTAKER _____
DATE OF BURIAL _____ 1918
ADDRESS _____

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, 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 "Asthemia," "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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1. PLACE OF DEATH
 County St. Louis Registration District No. 643 File No.
 Township St. Ann Primary Registration District No. 5857 Registered No.
 City St. Ann (No.) St. Ward) (No.) Ward)
 2. FULL NAME Mrs. Nancy P. Mitchell
 (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

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

3. SEX F 4. COLOR OR RACE W 5. SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED OR DIVORCED (write the word) M

16. DATE OF DEATH (MONTH, DAY AND YEAR) Nov 20 1918
 17. I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from
, 19....., to 19.....
 that I last saw h..... alive on....., 19....., and that
 death occurred, on the date stated above, at..... m.

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

THE CAUSE OF DEATH* WAS AS FOLLOWS:

 (duration) yrs. mos. ds.

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

7. AGE YEARS MONTHS DAYS If LESS than 1 day, hr. or min.
71 | 3 | 26

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

CONTRIBUTORY..... (SECONDARY).....
 (duration) yrs. mos. ds.

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

18. WHERE WAS DISEASE CONTRACTED
 IF NOT AT PLACE OF DEATH?.....

10. NAME OF FATHER.....
 11. BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (CITY OR TOWN)..... (STATE OR COUNTRY).....
 12. MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER.....
 13. BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (CITY OR TOWN)..... (STATE OR COUNTRY).....

DID AN OPERATION PRECEDE DEATH?..... DATE OF.....
 WAS THERE AN AUTOPSY?.....
 WHAT TEST CONFIRMED DIAGNOSIS?.....
 (Signed)....., M. D.
 , 19 (Address).....

14. INFORMANT Mrs. L. Ferris
 (Address).....

*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.)

15. FILED Nov 22 1918 Mrs. M. H. L. Francis REGISTRAR

19. PLACE OF BURIAL, CREMATION, OR REMOVAL Francis Cem DATE OF BURIAL Nov 22 1918
 20. UNDERTAKER M. H. L. Francis ADDRESS

ALL INFORMATION CALLED FOR MUST BE WRITTEN ON THIS SUPPLEMENTARY.

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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.