

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

1 PLACE OF DEATH

County Howard
Township Richmond

Registration District No. 378

File No. 45704-N

City Fayette

Primary Registration District No. 4220

Registered No. 87

2 FULL NAME Goldie Smith

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

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

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

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

6 DATE OF BIRTH 1913
(Month) (Day) (Year)

17 I HEREBY CERTIFY, that I attended deceased from Dec 10, 1918, to Dec 20, 1918, that I last saw her alive on Dec 20, 1918, and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 10 a. m.
The CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows:

7 AGE 27 yrs. 11 mos. 8 ds.
If LESS than 1 day, hrs. or min.?

254 Consumption
(Duration) 3 yrs. mos. ds.

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

CONTRIBUTORY (Secondary)
(Duration) yrs. mos. ds.

9 BIRTHPLACE
City or town, State or foreign country

(Signed) B. H. Lee, M. D.
1721, 1918 (Address) Fayette, Mo.

10 NAME OF FATHER John W. Smith

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

11 BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (City or town, State or foreign country) Virginia

12 MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Medora Burwidde

13 BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (City or town, State or foreign country) Missouri

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.

14 THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE

(Informant) John W. Smith
(Address) Fayette Mo.

19 PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL Wagoner Park DATE OF BURIAL 1731 1919

5 Filed 1-20-9 1918 V. J. Buchanan Registrar

20 UNDERTAKER Larry T. Holley ADDRESS Fayette

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 child-birth 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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County Howard Registration District No. 378 File No.
 Township Haystack Primary Registration District No. 4222 Registered No. 87
 City St. Ward)

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. da. How long in U.S., if of foreign birth? yrs. mos. da.

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

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

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

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

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

8. 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

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

PARENTS

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)

SUPPLEMENTARY

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

16. DATE OF DEATH (MONTH, DAY AND YEAR) Dec 30 1918

17. I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from
 , 19....., to 19.....
 that I last saw alive on 19....., and that death occurred on the date stated above, at

THE CAUSE OF DEATH* WAS AS FOLLOWS
Consumption
Pulmonary

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

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) , M. D.
 , 19 (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.)

14. INFORMANT (Address)

19. PLACE OF BURIAL, CREMATION, OR REMOVAL DATE OF BURIAL
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15. FILED 19..... V. J. Bunker REGISTRAR

20. UNDERTAKER 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 gives 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.