

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

PLACE OF DEATH

County Lincoln

Township Union

Village _____

City _____ (NO. _____)

Registration District No. 490

File No. 47331

Primary Registration District No. 5653

Registered No. 18

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

FULL NAME Dr. Joseph Ageial Knox

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

SEX V COLOR OR RACE 1 SINGLE MARRIED WIDOWED OR DIVORCED (Write the word) 1

DATE OF DEATH December 25, 1918
(Month) (Day) (Year)

DATE OF BIRTH Aug 21, 1839
(Month) (Day) (Year)

AGE 79 yrs. 4 mos. 4 ds. IF LESS than 1 day, ___ hrs. or ___ min.?

I HEREBY CERTIFY, that I attended deceased from _____, 191____, to _____, 191____, that I last saw h_____ alive on _____, 191____, and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 3 a. m. The CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows:

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

Septic infection of bladder

BIRTHPLACE (City or town, State or foreign country) Missouri

(Duration) yrs. mos. ds.

NAME OF FATHER Henry Knox

Contributory Embarged Prostate
(SECONDARY)

BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (City or town, State or foreign country) Mo.

(Duration) yrs. mos. ds.

MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Lucinda Hunter

(Signed) O. H. Damon M. D.
191____ (Address) Siles Mo.

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

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

THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE

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 _____

(Informant) J. A. Seague
(ADDRESS) Whiteville Mo.

PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL Arburn Cemetery DATE OF BURIAL 12-26-1918

UNDERTAKER R. E. Williams ADDRESS Siles Mo.

Filed Dec 26, 1918 Registrar O. H. Damon

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

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1. PLACE OF DEATH
 County Lincoln Registration District No. 490 File No. _____
 Township Union Primary Registration District No. 5653 Registered No. 18
 City _____ (No. _____) St. _____ Ward _____

2. FULL NAME Dr. Joseph Agneal Knox
 (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

3. SEX Male 4. COLOR OR RACE white 5. SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED OR DIVORCED (write the word) widowed
 5A. IF MARRIED, WIDOWED, OR DIVORCED HUSBAND OF (OR) WIFE OF widowed
 6. DATE OF BIRTH (MONTH, DAY AND YEAR) _____
 7. AGE YEARS MONTHS DAYS If LESS than 1 day, hr. or _____
 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 _____

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

16. DATE OF DEATH (MONTH, DAY AND YEAR) Dec 25 1918
 17. I HEREBY CERTIFY That I attended deceased from Dec 10 1918 to Dec 25 1918, and that I last saw him alive on Dec 20 1918, and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 3 a. m.
 THE CAUSE OF DEATH* WAS AS FOLLOWS:

Septic infection of bladder.
 (duration) yrs. mos. ds. _____

CONTRIBUTORY Enlarged Prostate
 (SECONDARY) (duration) yrs. mos. ds. _____

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) O. H. Damon M. D.
Dec 26, 1918 (Address) Sibley 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.)

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

14. INFORMANT (Address) _____

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19. PLACE OF BURIAL, CREMATION, OR REMOVAL _____ DATE OF BURIAL _____ 19 _____

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 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.