

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

25244

PLACE OF DEATH

County Jackson  
Township Kau  
Village Kansas City  
or  
City Kansas City (NO 1221 Washington St. Ward)

Registration District No. 399 File No. 1003  
Primary Registration District No. 1003 Registered No. 1003

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

FULL NAME Sylvester J. Kavanaugh

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

1 SEX Male 4 COLOR OR RACE White 5 SINGLE MARRIED WIDOWED OR DIVORCED Single

6 DATE OF BIRTH Nov 18 1893  
(Month) (Day) (Year)

7 AGE 25 yrs. 9 mos. 11 ds. If LESS than 1 day, hrs. or min.?

8 OCCUPATION (a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work Clerk 175  
(b) General nature of industry, business or establishment in which employed Post Court House

9 BIRTHPLACE (City or town, State or foreign country) Kansas City Mo

10 NAME OF FATHER Dennis Kavanaugh

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

12 MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Julia Harrington

13 BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER Ill.

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

16 DATE OF DEATH Aug 28 1919  
(Month) (Day) (Year)

17 I HEREBY CERTIFY that I attended deceased from Deputy Coroner to Deputy Coroner that I last saw him alive on 191 and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 191 m.

The CAUSE OF DEATH\* was as follows:  
Fractured skull  
Cerebral hemorrhage  
Decomposed  
Duration yrs. mos. ds.

CONTRIBUTORY (Secondary) 1 Duration yrs. mos. ds. (Signed) J. J. [Signature] M. D. 7 B. 1919 (Address) 1215 - [Address]

\*State the Disease Causing Death, or, in deaths from Violent Cause, 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 yrs. mos. ds. In the State yrs. mos. ds.

Where was disease contracted if not at place of death? Jefferson Hotel  
Former or usual residence Jefferson Hotel

19 PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL St. Marys DATE OF BURIAL 8-31 1919

20 UNDERTAKER J. F. O'Connell Co ADDRESS 1109 Bduay

14 THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE (Informant) Mrs Margaret Hackett (Address) 1026 Church St

15 Filed 8/31 1919 Registrar [Signature]

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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 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..... Registration District No..... File No.....  
 Town..... Primary Registration District No..... Registered No.....  
 St. .... Ward)

**2. FULL NAME**

(a) Residence. No. 1231 Washington Ward..... (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 M 4. COLOR OR RACE W 5. SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED OR DIVORCED D  
(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)

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)

15.

FILED..... 19..... REGISTRAR

**MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH**

16. DATE OF DEATH (MONTH, DAY AND YEAR) July 29 1919

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

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

Fractured Skull  
Cerebral Haemorrhage  
Distended Neck  
Pending Myocarditis  
 CONTRIBUTORY (SECONDARY) (Pushed down steps)  
(Home)

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) J. S. Snider, M.D.  
 , 19 (Address) Dep. Coronary

\*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.)

19. PLACE OF BURIAL, CREMATION, OR REMOVAL

DATE OF BURIAL

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.