

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

1 PLACE OF DEATH

County Casswell
Township Miracle
or
Village
or
City

Registration District No. 101 File No. 10124003
Primary Registration District No. 6749 Registered No. 7
(NO. St. Ward)

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

2 FULL NAME

Roy Elwood Gower

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

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

6 DATE OF BIRTH June 29 1913
(Month) (Day) (Year)

7 AGE 7 - 27 If LESS than 1 day.....hrs. or.....min.?

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

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

PARENTS
10 NAME OF FATHER Samuel Gower
11 BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (City or town, State or foreign country) Kentucky
12 MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Mollie Shepard
13 BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (City or town, State or foreign country) Kansas

14 THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE

(Informant) Penny Bell
(Address) Hamilton Mo.

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Registrar

2 MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

16 DATE OF DEATH July 26 1920
(Month) (Day) (Year)

17 I HEREBY CERTIFY, that I attended deceased from July 25 1920 to July 26 1920
that I last saw him.....relative on July 26 1920
and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 2:00 p.m.

The CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows:
Retained

18 (Duration)..... yrs..... mos. 11 ds.

CONTRIBUTORY (Secondary).....
(Duration)..... yrs..... mos..... ds.
(Signed) Phost. M. Murtry M. D.
July 26 1920 (Address) Kidder Mo.

*State the Disease Causing Death, or, in deaths from Violent Causes, 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?.....

Former or usual residence.....

19 PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL Kidder Cemetery DATE OF BURIAL July 27 1920

20 UNDERTAKER H. F. Powell ADDRESS Kidder Mo.

Revised United States Standard Certificate of Death

[Approved by U. S. Census and American Public Health
Association.]

Statement of occupation.—Precise statement of occupation is very important, so that the relative healthfulness of various pursuits can be known. The question applies to each and every person, irrespective of age. For many occupations a single word or term on the first line will be sufficient, e. g., *Farmer* or *Planter*, *Physician*, *Composer*, *Architect*, *Locomotive engineer*, *Civil engineer*, *Stationary fireman*, etc. But in many cases, especially in industrial employments, it is necessary to know (a) the kind of work and also (b) the nature of the business or industry, and therefore an additional line is provided for the latter statement; it should be used only when needed. As examples: (a) *Spinner*, (b) *Cotton mill*; (a) *Salesman*, (b) *Grocery*; (a) *Foreman*, (b) *Automobile factory*. The material worked on may form part of the second statement. Never return "Laborer," "Foreman," "Manager," "Dealer," etc., without more precise specification, as *Day laborer*, *Farm laborer*, *Laborer—Coal mine*, etc. Women at home, who are engaged in the duties of the household only (not paid *Housekeepers* who receive a definite salary), may be entered as *Housewife*, *Housework*, or *At home*, and children, not gainfully employed, as *At school* or *At home*. Care should be taken to report specifically the occupations of persons engaged in domestic service for wages, as *Servant*, *Cook*, *Housemaid*, etc. If the occupation has been changed or given up on account of the DISEASE CAUSING DEATH, state occupation at beginning of illness. If retired from business, that fact may be indicated thus: *Farmer (retired, 6 yrs.)*. For persons who have no occupation whatever, write *None*.

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*; *Broncho-pneumonia* ("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 "Asthma," "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 Caldwell Registration District No. 101 File No.
 Township Murale Primary Registration District No. 5749 Registered No. 7
 City St. Ward

2. FULL NAME Ray Elwood Gowar
 (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 M 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, <u>hr</u> or <u>min</u>
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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)

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

16. DATE OF DEATH (MONTH, DAY AND YEAR) July 26 1920

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

THE CAUSE OF DEATH* WAS AS FOLLOWS:
Tetanus, acquired by kick of horse
 (duration) yrs. mos. da.

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) Chas. J. Murtagh M. D.
Kidder Mo.
 , 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.)

19. PLACE OF BURIAL, CREMATION, OR REMOVAL	DATE OF BURIAL
	19
20. UNDERTAKER	ADDRESS

SUPPLEMENTARY

14. INFORMANT (Address)

15. FILED Sept 4 1920 J. J. Ballinger REGISTRAR

ALL INFORMATION CALLED FOR MUST BE WRITTEN ON THIS SUPPLEMENTARY.

REGISTRARS SHALL NOT RECEIVE

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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.