

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

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1. PLACE OF DEATH

County Buchanan Registration District No. 85 File No. 503
 Township Wachita Primary Registration District No. 1001 Registered No. 503
 City Saint Joseph (No. St. Joseph Hosp.) St. _____ Ward _____

2. FULL NAME

(a) Residence. No. Brenner Haus Ward. _____
 (Usual place of abode)
 Length of residence in city or town where death occurred # yrs. # mos. 1 ds. How long in U.S., if of foreign birth? 40 yrs. # mos. # ds.

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

3. SEX Male 4. COLOR OR RACE White 5. SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED OR DIVORCED married
 5A. IF MARRIED, WIDOWED, OR DIVORCED HUSBAND OF (OR) WIFE OF Pearl Ruhnke
 6. DATE OF BIRTH (MONTH, DAY AND YEAR) April 2 1870
 7. AGE YEARS MONTHS DAYS IF LESS than 1 day, hrs. or min. 57 1 18
 8. OCCUPATION OF DECEASED
 (a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work Farmer
 (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) Germany
 10. NAME OF FATHER Carl Ruhnke
 11. BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (CITY OR TOWN) (STATE OR COUNTRY) Germany
 12. MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Minnie Dent
 13. BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (CITY OR TOWN) (STATE OR COUNTRY) Germany

14. INFORMANT Mrs. Pearl Ruhnke
 (Address) Wray Kansas
 15. FILED May 21 1921 George M. Boteler M.D. REGISTRAR
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MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

16. DATE OF DEATH (MONTH, DAY AND YEAR) 5/19 1921
 17. I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from May 18, 1921, to May 19, 1921, that I last saw him alive on May 19, 1921, and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 8:00 P. m.

THE CAUSE OF DEATH* WAS AS FOLLOWS:

General Septicemia
Result on hand feeding stock
 (duration) _____ yrs. _____ mos. 14 ds.
 CONTRIBUTORY Milk poison
 (SECONDARY) (duration) _____ yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds.

18. WHERE WAS DISEASE CONTRACTED
 IF NOT AT PLACE OF DEATH? Wray Kansas
 DID AN OPERATION PRECEDE DEATH? No DATE OF 5/29-27
 WAS THERE AN AUTOPSY? No
 WHAT TEST CONFIRMED DIAGNOSIS? Clinical
 (Signed) Gustav A. Fox, M. D.
5/20 1921 (Address) 824 Edmond

*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 Brenner Haus DATE OF BURIAL 5/20 1921
 20. UNDERTAKER J. Minkhoff ADDRESS 824 Edmond

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 on 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; 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 "Asthenia," "Anemia" (merely symptomatic), "Atrophy," "Collapse," "Coma," "Convulsions," "Debility" ("Congenital," "Senile," etc.), "Dropsy," "Exhaustion," "Heart failure," "Hemorrhage," "Inanition," "Marasmus," "Old age," "Shock," "Uremia," "Weakness," etc., when a definite disease can be ascertained as the cause. Always qualify all diseases resulting from childbirth or miscarriage, as "*PUERPERAL septicemia*," "*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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ADDITIONAL SPACE FOR FURTHER STATEMENTS
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 City _____ (No. _____) St. _____ Ward _____

2. FULL NAME Albert Rubnke

(a) Residence, No. _____ St. _____ Ward _____ (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

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

3. SEX m 4. COLOR OR RACE w 5. SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED OR DIVORCED (write the word) m

16. DATE OF DEATH (MONTH, DAY AND YEAR) 5-19-21

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

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

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

THE CAUSE OF DEATH* WAS AS FOLLOWS:

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

Gen'l Septicemia
Septic hand while feeding
stock, was in dying condition when
brought here (duration) yrs. mos. 14 da.

8. OCCUPATION OF DECEASED

- (a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work
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CONTRIBUTORY (SECONDARY) _____ (duration) yrs. mos. da.

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

18. WHERE WAS DISEASE CONTRACTED

IF NOT AT PLACE OF DEATH: _____

DID AN OPERATION PRECEDE DEATH? _____ DATE OF _____

WAS THERE AN AUTOPSY? _____

10. NAME OF FATHER

WHAT TEST CONFIRMED DIAGNOSIS? _____

11. BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (CITY OR TOWN) (STATE OR COUNTRY)

(Signed) Gustave A. Lau M. D.

12. MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER

, 19____ (Address) 827 Edmond

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20. UNDERTAKER ADDRESS

George M. Boteler REGISTRAR
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ALL INFORMATION CALLED FOR MUST BE WRITTEN ON THIS SUPPLEMENTARY.

REGISTRARS SHALL NOT RECEIVE A FEE FOR CERTIFICATED UNTIL THEY ARE COMPLETED AS PRESCRIBED BY LAW. CAUSE OF DEATH in plain terms, so that it may be properly classified. Exact statement of OCCUPATION is very important.

SUPPLEMENTARY

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