

WRITE PLAINLY, WITH UNFADING INK--THIS IS A PERMANENT RECORD--REPRODUCED FOR THE PUBLIC BY THE MISSOURI STATE BOARD OF HEALTH

M. B.—Every item of information should be carefully supplied. "Age" should be stated EXACTLY. PHYSICIANS should state CAUSE OF DEATH in plain terms, and if it may be properly classified. Exact statement of OCCUPATION is very important.

JUL 29 1926

MISSOURI STATE BOARD OF HEALTH
BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS
CERTIFICATE OF DEATH 30008²

PLACE OF DEATH
County New Madrid
Township _____ or _____
Village _____ or _____
City _____ NO. _____ St. _____ Ward _____
Registration District No. 604 ✓ File No. 316
Primary Registration District No. 5802 Registered No. 316
2 FULL NAME Dr. Geo W. Dawson (If death occurred in a hospital or institution, give its NAME instead of street and number.)

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS
3 SEX Male 4 COLOR OR RACE White 5 SINGLE married
MARRIED WIDOWED OR DIVORCED (Write the word)
6 DATE OF BIRTH March 12 1851
(Month) (Day) (Year)
7 AGE 70 yrs. 7 mos. 19 ds. If LESS than 1 day, hrs. or min.?
8 OCCUPATION (a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work Physician
(b) General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which employed (or employer)
9 BIRTHPLACE (City or town, State or foreign country) Mo
PARENTS
10 NAME OF FATHER Chas Dawson
11 BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (City or town, State or foreign country) ✓
12 MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Agate La Forge
13 BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (City or town, State or foreign country) ✓
14 THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE (Informant) Mr. C. B. Richard
(Address) New Madrid Mo
15 Filed 6/29 1926 W. M. B. Dawson Registrar

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH
16 DATE OF DEATH Nov 1 1921
(Month) (Day) (Year)
17 I HEREBY CERTIFY, that I attended deceased from Jan 1 1920, to Nov 1 1921, that I last saw him alive on Nov 1 1921, and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 12:20 p.m.
The CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows:
Heart Failure of Mitral regurgitation
93A (Duration) 900 yrs. mos. ds.
CONTRIBUTORY (Secondary) (Duration) yrs. mos. ds.
(Signed) W. M. B. Dawson M. D.
Nov 1 1921 (Address) New Madrid Mo
*State the Disease Causing Death, or, in death 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 Evergreen Cem. DATE OF BURIAL Nov. 2 1921
20 UNDERTAKER W. B. Richards ADDRESS New Madrid 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*, *Compositor*, *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*, *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 more 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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FOR MUST BE WRITTEN ON
THIS SUPPLEMENTARY.

1. PLACE OF DEATH

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Township 1
City (No.) (Ward)

Registration District No. 604
Primary Registration District No. 5802

File No.
Registered No. 316

2. FULL NAME

Dr. Geo W. Dawson
(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 (write the word)**

m

**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) New Madrid County

14.

INFORMANT
(Address)

15.

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death occurred, on the date stated above, at..... m.

THE CAUSE OF DEATH WAS AS FOLLOWS:

CONTRIBUTORY
(SECONDARY)

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.)

19. PLACE OF BURIAL, CREMATION, OR REMOVAL

DATE OF BURIAL

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20. UNDERTAKER

ADDRESS

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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.