

WRITE PLAINLY, WITH UNFADING INK—THIS IS A PERMANENT RECORD

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

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PLACE OF DEATH
County Lafayette
Township _____
or
Village _____
or
City Higginsville (NO. _____) St.: _____ Ward _____

Registration District No. 460 File No. _____
Primary Registration District No. H274 Registered No. 14

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

FULL NAME George Dennis

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS		
SEX <u>male</u>	COLOR OR RACE <u>White</u>	SINGLE MARRIED WIDOWED OR DIVORCED <u>single</u> (Write the word)
DATE OF BIRTH _____/_____/_____ (Month) (Day) (Year)		
AGE <u>about 30</u> yrs. <u>4</u> mos. <u>4</u> ds.		IF LESS than 1 day, ____ hrs. or ____ min.?
OCCUPATION (a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work <u>miner</u> (b) General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which employed (or employer) _____		
BIRTHPLACE (City or town, State or foreign country) <u>Cordis mo</u>		
PARENTS	NAME OF FATHER <u>Orval Dennis</u>	
	BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (City or town, State or foreign country) <u>Missouri</u>	
	MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER <u>Ellie Dennis</u>	
	BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (City or town, State or foreign country) <u>Missouri</u>	
THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE (Informant) <u>Ellie Dennis</u> (ADDRESS) <u>Higginsville, Mo</u>		
Filed <u>2-26-</u> 19 <u>23</u> <u>Bessie Porter</u> REGISTRAR		

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH	
DATE OF DEATH <u>Feb. 25</u> , 19 <u>23</u> (Month) (Day) (Year)	
I HEREBY CERTIFY, that I attended deceased from _____, 19 <u>1</u> , to _____, 19 <u>1</u> , that I last saw him <u>alive</u> on _____, 19 <u>1</u> , and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at <u>24</u> m. The CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows: <u>gun shot wound - chest -</u> <u>(homicide - justifiable) (request that it be)</u> <u>175</u> _____ (Duration) ____ yrs. ____ mos. ____ ds. Contributory _____ (SECONDARY) _____ (Duration) ____ yrs. ____ mos. ____ ds. (Signed) <u>W. Kappenberg</u> M. D. <u>Feb 26</u> , 19 <u>23</u> (Address) <u>Corona Lafayette Co</u>	
*State the Disease Causing Death, or, in deaths from Violent Causes, state (1) Means of Injury; and (2) whether Accidental, Suicidal, or Homicidal.	
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 _____	
PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL <u>Colored cemetery Higginsville Mo</u>	DATE OF BURIAL <u>2/27/23</u>
UNDERTAKER <u>ast. St. John Higginsville Mo.</u>	ADDRESS _____

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 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 Lafayette Registration District No. 460 File No.
 Township Primary Registration District No. 4274 Registered No.
 City Negginville St. Ward)

2. FULL NAME

George Dennis
 (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 Col 5. SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED OR DIVORCED (write the word) Single

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

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

7. AGE YEARS MONTHS Days If LESS than 1 day, hrs. or min.
About 30 years the nearest they know

8. OCCUPATION OF DECEASED

- (a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work (duration) yrs. mos. ds.
- (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)

14.

INFORMANT (Address)

15.

FILED 2-26-23 Bessie P Porter REGISTRAR

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

16. DATE OF DEATH (MONTH, DAY AND YEAR) Feb 25 1923

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

THE CAUSE OF DEATH* WAS AS FOLLOWS:

CONTRIBUTORY (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) 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

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: "Certificate, 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.