

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

1. PLACE OF DEATH
 County St. Louis Registration District No. 784 File No. 6368^a
 Township St. Ferdinand Primary Registration District No. 6030 Registered No. _____
 City St. Louis Mo (No. St. Louis Mo) St. _____ Ward _____

2. FULL NAME William Lawrence Wilson
 (a) Residence No. St. Louis Mo 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 Cold 5. SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED OR DIVORCED (write the word) widowed

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

6. DATE OF BIRTH (MONTH, DAY AND YEAR) 1883-1-20

7. AGE	YEARS	MONTHS	DAYS	IF LESS than 1 day, _____ hrs. or _____ min.
	<u>40</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>3</u>	

8. OCCUPATION OF DECEASED
 (a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work Labarer
 (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) Houston Texas

10. NAME OF FATHER Tom Wilson

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

12. MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Not known

13. BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (CITY OR TOWN) (STATE OR COUNTRY) Houston Texas

14. INFORMANT Celestine Wilson
 (Address) 4465 W. Belle Pl.

15. FILED 2/27, 1923 C. A. Schuch
 REGISTRAR

2. MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

16. DATE OF DEATH (MONTH, DAY AND YEAR) Feb 26 - 1923

17. I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from Feb 20 1923, to Feb 26 1923, that I last saw him alive on Feb 26 1923, and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at _____ P. _____ M.

THE CAUSE OF DEATH WAS AS FOLLOWS:

10X
90%
100%
Valvular Disease of Heart
 (duration) 1 yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds.

CONTRIBUTORY (SECONDARY) _____ (duration) _____ yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds.

18. WHERE WAS DISEASE CONTRACTED
 IF NOT AT PLACE OF DEATH, _____

19. DID AN OPERATION PRECEDE DEATH? _____ DATE OF _____

20. WAS THERE AN AUTOPSY? _____

WHAT TEST CONFIRMED DIAGNOSIS?
 (Signed) W. R. Schuch M. D.
1/26 1923 (Address) Kimbark Mo.

*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
Father's Disposal Cem. Feb 28, 1923

20. UNDERTAKER ADDRESS
A. L. Beal 2726 Lucas

N. B.—Every item of information should be carefully supplied. AGE should be stated EXACTLY. PHYSICIANS should state CAUSE OF DEATH in plain terms, so that it may be properly classified. Exact statement of OCCUPATION is very important.

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Revised United States Standard Certificate of Death

5-8 Typhoid pneumonia; Lobar pneumonia; Broncho-
pneumonia ("Pneumonia," unqualified, is indefinite);
Tuberculosis of lungs, meninges, peritoneum, etc.;
Carcinoma, Sarcoma, etc., of..... (name ori-
gin; "Cancer" is less definite; avoid use of "Tumor"
for malignant neoplasma); Measles, Whooping cough;
Chronic valvular heart disease; Chronic interstitial
nephritis, etc. The contributory (secondary or in-
tercurrent) affection need not be stated unless im-
portant. Example: Measles (disease causing death);
29 ds.; Bronchopneumonia (secondary), 10 ds.
Never report mere symptoms or terminal conditions,
such as "Asthenia," "Anemia" (merely symptom-
atic), "Atrophy," "Collapse," "Coma," "Convul-
sions," "Debility" ("Congenital," "Senile," etc.),
"Dropsy," "Exhaustion," "Heart failure," "Hem-
orrhage," "Inanition," "Marasmus," "Old age,"
"Shock," "Uremia," "Weakness," etc., when a
definite disease can be ascertained as the cause.
Always qualify all diseases resulting from child-
birth 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 rail-
way 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.)

(Approved by U. S. Consus and American Public Health
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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, irrespec-
tive 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*, *Locomo-
tive Engineer*, *Civil Engineer*, *Stationary Fireman*, etc.
But in many cases, especially in industrial employ-
ments, 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) *Sales-
man*, (b) *Grocery*; (a) *Foreman*, (b) *Automobile fac-
tory*. The material worked on may form part of the
second statement. Never return "Laborer," "Fore-
man," "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 occu-
pation at beginning of illness. If retired from busi-
ness, that fact may be indicated thus: *Farmer (re-
tired, 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

NOTE.—Individual offices may add to above list of undesi-
rable 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, hemor-
rhage, 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.