

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

1. PLACE OF DEATH

County Madison (Mo) Registration District No. 538 File No. _____
 Township Easton Primary Registration District No. 5727 Registered No. 21
 City _____ (No. _____) St. _____ Ward _____

2. FULL NAME

Manda Biggs
 (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

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

3. SEX female 4. COLOR OR RACE white 5. SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED OR DIVORCED (write the word) Single

16. DATE OF DEATH (MONTH, DAY AND YEAR) March 9 19 23

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

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

6. DATE OF BIRTH (MONTH, DAY AND YEAR) Don't know

THE CAUSE OF DEATH* WAS AS FOLLOWS:

7. AGE YEARS MONTHS DAYS IF LESS than 1 day, ____ hrs. or ____ min.
90 about

Tumor

8. OCCUPATION OF DECEASED
 (a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work None
 (b) General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which employed (or employer) _____
 (c) Name of employer _____

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

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

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

10. NAME OF FATHER Bill Biggs

DID AN OPERATION PRECEDE DEATH: _____ DATE OF _____
 WAS THERE AN AUTOPSY: _____

11. BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (CITY OR TOWN) (STATE OR COUNTRY) Don't know

WHAT TEST CONFIRMED DIAGNOSIS: _____
 (Signed) None Attending physician, M. D.
 , 19____ (Address)

12. MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Don't know

13. BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (CITY OR TOWN) (STATE OR COUNTRY) Don't know

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14. INFORMANT Mrs. Martin (Address) Cornwall Mo

19. PLACE OF BURIAL, CREMATION, OR REMOVAL Spodenville Mo DATE OF BURIAL _____ 19____

15. FILED Mo 30 23 W. H. Ferguson REGISTRAR

20. UNDERTAKER Ed H. Webb Fredricks town Mo ADDRESS

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Revised United States Standard Certificate of Death

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

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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
BY PHYSICIAN.

STANDARD CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
BUREAU OF THE CENSUS

1 PLACE OF DEATH
 County Madison 538 State MISSOURI Registered No. _____
 Township Caster 5727 or Village _____ of _____
 City _____ No. _____ St. _____ Ward _____
(If death occurred in a hospital or institution, give its NAME instead of street and number)

2 FULL NAME Manda Biggs
 (a) Residence. No. _____ St. _____ Ward. _____
(Usual place of abode)
 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.
(If nonresident give city or town and State)

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

3 SEX M 4 COLOR OR RACE W 5 SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED, OR DIVORCED as (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, hrs. or min. _____

8 OCCUPATION OF DECEASED
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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) _____

14 Informant _____ (Address) _____

15 Filed Mar 30, 1923 W. H. Young REGISTRAR
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MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

16 DATE OF DEATH (month, day, and year) Mar 9, 1923
 I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from _____, 19____, to _____, 19____, that I last saw h_____ alive on _____, 19____, and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at _____ m.
 The CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows:

Unknown
Don't know
can't find out
 (duration) _____ yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds.

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) W. H. Young Registrar, M. D.,
 _____, 19____ (Address) _____

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19 PLACE OF BURIAL, CREMATION, OR REMOVAL _____ DATE OF BURIAL 3-10 1923

20 UNDERTAKER _____ ADDRESS _____

SUPPLEMENTAL

CAUSE OF DEATH in plain terms, so that it may be properly classified. Exact statement of OCCUPATION is very important. See instructions on back of certificate.

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