

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

1. PLACE OF DEATH

County Jackson Registration District No. 309 File No. 21679
 Township Kaw Primary Registration District No. _____ Registered No. _____
 City Kansas City (No. 2511 Grove St.) St. _____ Ward _____

2. FULL NAME

John H. Nelson
 (a) Residence No. 2511 Grove St., _____ Ward. _____ (If nonresident give city or town and State)
 (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.

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

3. SEX Male 4. COLOR OR RACE Negro 5. SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED OR DIVORCED (write the word) Married

5A. IF MARRIED, Widower, widowed, HUSBAND OF (or) WIFE OF Fannie Nelson

6. DATE OF BIRTH (MONTH, DAY AND YEAR) Aug 18, 1847

7. AGE YEARS MONTHS DAYS If LESS than 1 day, hrs. or min.
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8. OCCUPATION OF DECEASED

(a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work Com Labor
 (b) General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which employed (or employer) _____
 (c) Name of employer _____

9. BIRTHPLACE (CITY OR TOWN) Pleasant Hill
 (STATE OR COUNTRY) Mo.

10. NAME OF FATHER David Nelson

11. BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (CITY OR TOWN) Not Known
 (STATE OR COUNTRY) _____

12. MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Maria Gray

13. BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (CITY OR TOWN) Not Known
 (STATE OR COUNTRY) _____

14. INFORMANT Fannie Nelson
 (Address) 2511 Grove St.

15. FILED 7/29/23 M. M. Crowe
 _____, 1923 REGISTERED

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

16. DATE OF DEATH (MONTH, DAY AND YEAR) July 27 19 23

17. I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from July 17 to July 27, 1923
 and that I last saw him alive on July 23, 1923, and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 8:20 A.M.

THE CAUSE OF DEATH WAS AS FOLLOWS:

Myelitis - Acute
Exhaustion
Paralysis
 (duration) _____ yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds.

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

18. WHERE WAS DISEASE CONTRACTED

IF NOT AT PLACE OF DEATH: _____

DID AN OPERATION PRECEDE DEATH? no DATE OF _____

WAS THERE AN AUTOPSY? no

BEST CONFIRMED DIAGNOSIS Senile
Paralysis
Exhaustion
 (Signed) _____ (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

Frankfort, Kans July 29, 23

20. UNDERTAKER Adkins Brothers ADDRESS 2122 Vine St

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, 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

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 Township..... Primary Registration District No. 1002 Registered No.
 City Kansas City (No.) St. Ward)

2. FULL NAME.....

(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.

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Luetic
Exhaustion
Paralysis, Exhantion
 CONTRIBUTORY (SECONDARY) (duration) yrs. ds.

18. WHERE WAS DISEASE CONTRACTED Exhaustion resulted from inability to take & retain food & different respiration
 IF NOT IN PLACE OF DEATH DID AN OPERATION PRECEDE DEATH DATE OF

WAS THERE AN AUTOPSY.....

WHAT TEST CONFIRMED DIAGNOSIS.....

(Signed)....., M. D.
 , 19 (Address)

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20. UNDERTAKER ADDRESS

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REGISTRARS SHALL NOT RECEIVE A FEE FOR CERTIFICATES UNTIL THEY ARE COMPLETE AS PRESCRIBED BY LAW.

SUPPLEMENTARY

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