

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

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**1. PLACE OF DEATH**

County Phelps  
Township Rolla  
City Rolla

Registration District No. 677  
Primary Registration District No. 4403

File No. ....  
Registered No. 54  
St. .... Ward)

**2. FULL NAME**

(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)

*Joseph Nile Sharp*

**PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS**

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

5A. IF MARRIED, WIDOWED, OR DIVORCED (MARRIED) (OR) WIFE OF Susan Sharp

6. DATE OF BIRTH (MONTH, DAY AND YEAR) March 8 1864

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  
(b) General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which employed (or employer) Farmer  
(c) Name of employer

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

PARENTS

10. NAME OF FATHER William J. Sharp

11. BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (CITY OR TOWN) D.K., Logan Co Ohio  
(STATE OR COUNTRY)

12. MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Lucy Jane Gurgis

13. BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (CITY OR TOWN) Hardin Co Ohio  
(STATE OR COUNTRY)

14. INFORMANT Mrs J. K. Sharp  
(Address) Vichy Mo

15. FILED Nov. 10 1924 J. F. Ayers  
REGISTRAR

**MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH**

16. DATE OF DEATH (MONTH, DAY AND YEAR) Nov 10 1924

17. I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from June 15, 1924, to Nov 10, 1924, that I last saw him alive on June 18, 1924, and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 9:30 a.m.

**THE CAUSE OF DEATH\* WAS AS FOLLOWS:**

Pneumonia  
103  
Chronic Myocarditis  
CONTRIBUTORY (SECONDARY) about  
(duration) yrs. mos. ds.

**18. WHERE WAS DISEASE CONTRACTED**

IF NOT AT PLACE OF DEATH: .....

DID AN OPERATION PRECEDE DEATH? Yes DATE OF .....

WAS THERE AN AUTOPSY? No

WHAT TEST CONFIRMED DIAGNOSIS? Physical Examination

(Signed) J. L. Mitchell, M. D.

Nov 10 1924 (Address) Rolla Mo

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19. PLACE OF BURIAL, CREMATION, OR REMOVAL DATE OF BURIAL

Buried on Farm near Vichy, Mo Nov. 11 1924

20. UNDERTAKER

R. S. Mull

ADDRESS  
Rolla, Mo.

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