

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

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1. PLACE OF DEATH

County Cape Girardeau Registration District No. 1075 File No. 239
 Township " Primary Registration District No. 3009 Registered No. _____
 City " (No. _____) St. _____ Ward _____

2. FULL NAME

Sarah E. Caffer
 (a) Residence No. Wappapella, 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

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

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

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

6. DATE OF BIRTH (MONTH, DAY AND YEAR) Feb 18 -

7. AGE	YEARS	MONTHS	DAYS	IF LESS than 1 day, hrs. or min.
<u>42</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>4</u>		

8. OCCUPATION OF DECEASED
 (a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work Housewife
 (b) General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which employed (or employer) House work
 (c) Name of employer _____

9. BIRTHPLACE (CITY OR TOWN) (STATE OR COUNTRY) Gran. Mo

10. NAME OF FATHER Witch Moran

11. BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (CITY OR TOWN) (STATE OR COUNTRY) Dont know.

12. MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Liza Thomas

13. BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (CITY OR TOWN) (STATE OR COUNTRY) Dont know.

14. INFORMANT John S. Caffer
 (Address) Wappapella Mo

15. FILED 17/30/24 REGISTRAR

16. DATE OF DEATH (MONTH, DAY AND YEAR) Dec 22nd 1924
 17. I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from Dec 14th, 1924, to Dec 22nd, 1924, that I last saw her alive on Dec 22nd, 1924, and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 11 P.M.

THE CAUSE OF DEATH* WAS AS FOLLOWS:

Pulmonary Embolism

CONTRIBUTORY (SECONDARY) 9/2
 (duration) yrs. mos. ds.

18. WHERE WAS DISEASE CONTRACTED? Wappapella, Mo.
 IF NOT AT PLACE OF DEATH, _____
 DID AN OPERATION PRECEDE DEATH? yes DATE OF Dec 14/24
 WAS THERE AN AUTOPSY? no
 WHAT TEST CONFIRMED DIAGNOSIS? symptomatic
 (Signed) G. B. Schults, M. D.

*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 Wappapella, Cem. DATE OF BURIAL Dec 25 1924

20. UNDERTAKER Walthus F & U. Co. Cape Girardeau Mo. ADDRESS _____

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

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

"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 neoplasma); *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.)

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: "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, 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.

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 City (No.) St. Ward)

2. FULL NAME

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 (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 M 4. COLOR OR RACE W 5. SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED OR DIVORCED (write the word) M

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

6. DATE OF BIRTH (MONTH, DAY AND YEAR) Feb 18, 1882

7. AGE YEARS MONTHS DAYS 33 If LESS than day, hrs. or min.

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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 2/4 1925 A. Behrens REGISTRAR

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

16. DATE OF DEATH (MONTH, DAY AND YEAR) Dec. 22 1924

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

THE CAUSE OF DEATH* WAS AS FOLLOWS:

CONTRIBUTORY (SECONDARY) (duration) yrs. mos. ds.
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18. WHERE WAS DISEASE CONTRACTED

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(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.

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Division of
Vital Statistics

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

BUREAU OF THE CENSUS

WASHINGTON

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Dr. Cortez F. Enloe,
Special Agent,
Jefferson City, Mo.

Dear Sir:

It is essential that death certificates be made complete in every particular in order that proper classification may be made. You are therefore requested to make every effort to obtain the following information, indicated by check marks, lacking from the death certificate:

Name: Sarah E. Capper

Died at: Cape Girardeau on Dec 22 - 1924

Residence: No. _____ St. _____
(if nonresident, city or town)

Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: Years _____ Months _____ Days _____

Sex: _____ Color or race: _____ Single, married, widowed or divorced: _____

Date of birth: _____ Age: Years _____ Months _____ Days _____

Occupation: (a) Trade _____ (b) Industry: _____

Birthplace (State or country) _____

Birthplace of father (State or country) _____

Birthplace of mother (State or country) _____

Cause of Death: Pulmonary Embolism

Contributory: Quercus infection

Where was disease contracted? _____

Did operation precede death? _____ Date of _____

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