

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

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1. PLACE OF DEATH
 County Jackson Registration District No. 399
 Township Tracy Primary Registration District No. 1002
 City Kansas City (No. 1001) Tracy Ave. File No. 1874
 Registered No. 1874 St. _____ Ward _____

2. FULL NAME J. Harry Leon
 (a) Residence No. 1007 Tracy Ave. 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. da. How long in U.S., if of foreign birth? yrs. mos. da.

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

3. SEX M
4. COLOR OR RACE col
5. SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED OR DIVORCED (write the word) single
5A. IF MARRIED, WIDOWED, OR DIVORCED HUSBAND OF (OR) WIFE OF _____
6. DATE OF BIRTH (MONTH, DAY AND YEAR) unknown
7. AGE YEARS 57 MONTHS _____ DAYS _____
 If LESS than 1 day, _____ hrs. or _____ min.

16. DATE OF DEATH (MONTH, DAY AND YEAR) 4-26-1935
17. I HEREBY CERTIFY That I attended deceased from Jan 25 to Apr 24 1935
 that I last saw alive on Apr 15 1935, and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at _____ m.

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

THE CAUSE OF DEATH WAS AS FOLLOWS:
Valvular Heart Disease - see Valves
retained in position
 (duration) yrs. mos. da. _____

9. BIRTHPLACE (CITY OR TOWN) _____ (STATE OR COUNTRY) ms
10. NAME OF FATHER H. Leon
11. BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (CITY OR TOWN) _____ (STATE OR COUNTRY) ms
12. MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Unknown
13. BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (CITY OR TOWN) _____ (STATE OR COUNTRY) ms

CONTRIBUTORY (SECONDARY) NO
 (duration) yrs. mos. da. _____
18. WHERE WAS DISEASE CONTRACTED _____
 IF NOT AT PLACE OF DEATH: _____
 DID AN OPERATION PRECEDE DEATH? _____ DATE OF _____
 WAS THERE AN AUTOPEY? _____
 WHAT TEST CONFIRMED DIAGNOSIS? _____
 (Signed) Frank F. Berry M. D.
Apr 28 1935 (Address) 1501 Ellis Bldg

14. INFORMANT Theodosia Bennett
 (Address) 1222 Traylor Ave KC 19
15. FILED 4/28/35 M. M. Cerque REGISTRAR

19. PLACE OF BURIAL, CREMATION, OR REMOVAL West Lawn DATE OF BURIAL 4-26-1935
20. UNDERTAKER H. Moore ADDRESS 1820 E 18th

CAUSE OF DEATH in plain terms, so that it may be properly classified. Exact statement of OCCUPATION is very important. N. B. - Every item of information should be carefully supplied. XXX amount of information should be carefully supplied.

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 neoplasm); *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 septi emia," "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.

ADDITIONAL SPACE FOR FURTHER STATEMENTS
BY PHYSICIAN.