

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

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1. PLACE OF DEATH

County Sedgewick Registration District No. 1002 File No. _____
 Township _____ Primary Registration District No. _____ Registered No. _____
 City Kansas City (No. St. Joseph Hospital) St. _____ Ward _____

2. FULL NAME

John W. Leary
 (a) Residence No. 4444 Olive St. 637 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

3. SEX Male
4. COLOR OR RACE White
5. SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED OR DIVORCED (write the word)
5A. IF MARRIED, WIDOWED, OR DIVORCED HUSBAND OR (OR) WIFE OF _____
6. DATE OF BIRTH (MONTH, DAY AND YEAR) July 24 1925
7. AGE YEARS MONTHS DAYS If LESS than 1 day _____ hrs. or 30 min.
8. OCCUPATION OF DECEASED
 (a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work Baby
 (b) General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which employed (or employer) _____
 (c) Name of employer _____

9. BIRTHPLACE (CITY OR TOWN) (STATE OR COUNTRY) St. Joseph Mo.
10. NAME OF FATHER Conrad W. Leary
11. BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (CITY OR TOWN) (STATE OR COUNTRY) Kentucky
12. MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Roda Reynolds
13. BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (CITY OR TOWN) (STATE OR COUNTRY) Union Kansas

14. INFORMANT Ralph Wilson M.D.
 (Address) 920 Lathrop Bldg
15. FILED 7-26-25 M. M. Cronin
 1925 REGISTRAR

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

16. DATE OF DEATH (MONTH, DAY AND YEAR) July 25 1925
17. I HEREBY CERTIFY That I attended deceased from July 24 1925 to July 25 1925
 that I last saw him alive on July 24 1925, and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 4:30 a.m.

THE CAUSE OF DEATH* WAS AS FOLLOWS:
159 Prematurity
 (duration) 7 mos. yrs. mos. da.
CONTRIBUTORY (SECONDARY) Aspiration of Meconium
 (duration) _____ yrs. mos. da.

18. WHERE WAS DISEASE CONTRACTED
 IF NOT AT PLACE OF DEATH _____
 DID AN OPERATION PRECEDE DEATH? No DATE OF _____
 WAS THERE AN AUTOPSY? _____
 WHO TEST CONFIRMED DIAGNOSIS?
 (Signed) Ralph Wilson M. D.
7-25 1925 (Address) 920 Lathrop

*State the DISEASE CAUSING DEATH, or in deaths from VIOLENCE, 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 Calvary **DATE OF BURIAL** 7/25 1925
20. UNDERTAKER W. J. Mayberry **ADDRESS** Inwood at Elm

WRITE PLAINLY, WITH SPREADING INK---THIS IS A PERMANENT RECORD

N. B.—Every item of information should be carefully supplied. AGE should be stated EXACTLY. PHYSICIANS should state 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 in the duties of the household only (not paid as *Housewife, Housework or At home*, and not gainfully employed, as *At school or At home*). Care should be taken to report specifically occupations of persons engaged in domestic work for wages, as *Servant, Cook, Housemaid, etc.* If occupation has been changed or given up on the day of the DISEASE CAUSING DEATH, state occupation at beginning of illness. If retired from business that fact may be indicated thus: *Farmer (retired)*. For persons who have no occupation or, write *None*.

Statement of Cause of Death.—Name, first, of the DISEASE CAUSING DEATH (the primary affection in 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.

ADDITIONAL SPACE FOR FURTHER STATEMENTS BY PHYSICIAN.