

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

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1. PLACE OF DEATH *Hickory*
 County *Beaumont* Registration District No. *365* File No. _____
 Township *Wheatland Mo* Primary Registration District No. *5511* Registered No. *4*
 City *Avery Mo* (No. _____) St. _____ Ward _____

2. FULL NAME *Mary Jane Demitz*
 (a) Residence. No. *Tabery* St. *mo* Ward. _____
 (Usual place of abode) (If nonresident give city or town and State)
 Length of residence in city or town where death occurred *23* yrs. mos. ds. How long in U.S., if of foreign birth? yrs. mos. ds.

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

3. SEX *Female* 4. COLOR OR RACE *White* 5. SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED OR DIVORCED (write the word) *Widowed*

5A. If MARRIED, WIDOWED, OR DIVORCED HUSBAND OF (OR) WIFE OF *Henry Demitz*

6. DATE OF BIRTH (MONTH, DAY AND YEAR) *May-12-1851*

7. AGE YEARS MONTHS DAYS If LESS than 1 day, _____ hrs. or _____ min.
74 3 13

8. OCCUPATION OF DECEASED

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

9. BIRTHPLACE (CITY OR TOWN) *Prairie City*
 (STATE OR COUNTRY) *Ill.*

10. NAME OF FATHER *Louis Palmer*

11. BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (CITY OR TOWN) _____
 (STATE OR COUNTRY) *N. Y.*

12. MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER *Unknown*

13. BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (CITY OR TOWN) _____
 (STATE OR COUNTRY) *N. Y.*

14. INFORMANT *Emma Breshear*
 (Address) *Avery Mo*

15. FILED *8-31, 1925*

REGISTRAR

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

16. DATE OF DEATH (MONTH, DAY AND YEAR) *8-28 1925*

17. I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from *Aug - 1923*, to *Aug - 28 - 1925* that I last saw *her* alive on *Aug - 28 - 1925*, and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at *11 A* m.

THE CAUSE OF DEATH* WAS AS FOLLOWS:

Mitral Insufficiency
92 H
120 B (duration) *2* yrs. mos. ds.
 CONTRIBUTORY *Diarrhorea*
 (SECONDARY) (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*

WHAT TEST CONFIRMED DIAGNOSIS? *Physical Examination*

(Signed) *A.S. Johnston*, M. D.

8/29/1925 (Address) *Wheatland Mo*

*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 *Mt. Zion* DATE OF BURIAL *8-29 1925*

20. UNDERTAKER *Elmer Chaney* ADDRESS *Wheatland Mo.*

Revised United States Standard Certificate of Death

(Approved by U. S. Census and American Public Health Association.)

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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: "Certificate 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
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 City Wheatland Mo. (No.) St. Ward)

2. FULL NAME

(a) Residence. No. Mary Jane Demitz 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 F 4. COLOR OR RACE W 5. SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED OR DIVORCED (write the word) Wid

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

6. DATE OF BIRTH (MONTH, DAY AND YEAR) May 12, 1907

7. AGE YEARS MONTHS DAYS If LESS than 1 day, hrs. or min.
74 3 13

8. OCCUPATION OF DECEASED
 (a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work Housekeeper
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 (STATE OR COUNTRY) See

10. NAME OF FATHER Louis P. Demer

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 (STATE OR COUNTRY)

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 (STATE OR COUNTRY)

14. INFORMANT Emma Breshears
 (Address) Wheatland Mo.

15. FILED 8-31, 1926 Mrs. A. S. Johnston
 REGISTRAR

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

16. DATE OF DEATH (MONTH, DAY AND YEAR) Aug 28 1926

17. I HEREBY CERTIFY That I attended deceased from Aug - 28 to Aug 28, 1926
 (that I last saw h. alive on, 19....., and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at

THE CAUSE OF DEATH* WAS AS FOLLOWS:

Mitral Insufficiency
 CONTRIBUTORY Diarrhoea (duration) 2 yrs. mos. ds.
 (SECONDARY) (duration) yrs. mos. 2 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

WHAT TEST CONFIRMED DIAGNOSIS? Physical Exam.
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Mt. Zion Cem. 8-29 1926

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