

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

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1. PLACE OF DEATH

County Jasper Registration District No. 411
 Township Joplin, Mo. Primary Registration District No. 2002
 City Joplin, Mo. (No.) St. Ward

File No.
 Registered No. 457

2. FULL NAME

(a) Residence No. 2304 Empire 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 <u>Male</u>	4. COLOR OR RACE <u>White</u>	5. SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED OR DIVORCED (write the word) <u>Married</u>		
5A. IF MARRIED, WIDOWED OR DIVORCED HUSBAND OF (OR) WIFE OF <u>Eva M. Graves</u>				
6. DATE OF BIRTH (MONTH, DAY AND YEAR) <u>Mar. 7-1861</u>				
7. AGE	YEARS	MONTHS	DAYS	IF LESS than 1 day, hrs. or min.
<u>65</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>18</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

8. OCCUPATION OF DECEASED

(a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work Carpenter
 (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) Joplin, Mo.

PARENTS

10. NAME OF FATHER David L. Graves
 11. BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (CITY OR TOWN) (STATE OR COUNTRY) Joplin, Mo.
 12. MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Abel Pauline
 13. BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (CITY OR TOWN) (STATE OR COUNTRY) Joplin, Mo.

14. INFORMANT Mrs. E. M. Graves
 (Address) 2304 Empire

15. FILED 10-28, 1926 W. Benson Clark
 REGISTERED

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

16. DATE OF DEATH (MONTH, DAY AND YEAR) Oct. 25 1926

17. I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from Oct. 23, 1926, to Oct. 25, 1926, and that I last saw him alive on 9th day of Oct, 1926, and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 9th a.m.

THE CAUSE OF DEATH* WAS AS FOLLOWS:

Access of Brain
78 F. (duration) yrs. mos. ds.

CONTRIBUTORY (SECONDARY)

18. WHERE WAS DISEASE CONTRACTED

IF NOT AT PLACE OF DEATH?.....

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

WAS THERE AN AUTOPSY?.....

WHAT TEST CONFIRMED DIAGNOSIS?.....

(Signed) W. Benson Clark, M. D.
 , 19 26 (Address) Joplin 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 Hairovaen Cem DATE OF BURIAL Oct 28 1926

20. UMBERTAKER Frank Lewis C. Joplin, Mo. ADDRESS

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, *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; Broncho-pneumonia* ("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.; *Broncho-pneumonia* (secondary), 10ds. 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.

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ALL INFORMATION CALLED
FOR MUST BE WRITTEN ON
THIS SUPPLEMENTARY.

1. PLACE OF DEATH

County Asper

Registration District No. 411

File No. 2015-100

Township Joseph

Primary Registration District No. 2512

Registered No. _____

City Joseph (No. _____) St. _____ Ward _____

2. FULL NAME

James Arthur Graves

(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. da. How long in U.S., if of foreign birth? yrs. mos. da.

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) _____

7. AGE

YEARS

MONTHS

DAYS

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(STATE OR COUNTRY)

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(STATE OR COUNTRY)

12. MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER _____

13. BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (CITY OR TOWN) _____

(STATE OR COUNTRY)

14.

INFORMANT _____

(Address)

FILED 12-14-28 Ed Benson Blair

REGISTRAR

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

16. DATE OF DEATH (MONTH, DAY AND YEAR) Oct 20 - 1926

17.

I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from _____ to _____, 19____

that I last saw h. _____ alive on _____, 19____, and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at _____ m.

THE CAUSE OF DEATH* WAS AS FOLLOWS:

Abscess of Brain

CONTRIBUTORY (SECONDARY) _____

18. WHERE WAS DISEASE CONTRACTED _____

IF NOT AT PLACE OF DEATH _____

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(Signed) _____, M. D.

, 19____ (Address)

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DATE OF BURIAL _____

20. UNDERTAKER _____

ADDRESS _____

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REGISTRARS SHALL NOT RECEIVE A FEE FOR CERTIFICATES UNTIL THEY ARE COMPLETE AS PRESCRIBED BY LAW

SUPPLEMENTARY

December 13, 1926

State Board of Health
Jefferson City, Mo.

DEC 15 RECEIVED

Dear Sirs:

I do not know whether this abscess was tubercular or not. The man had no knowledge of an abscess until Friday noon when he began having a discharge from the ear. On the following morning he became comatose and died Monday morning.

It was assumed that the abscess drained inside the brain cavity as well as through the ear. There was no post-mortem or pathological examinations made.

This man was 65 years old and had not missed a day from his labors, on account of sickness, in 25 years.

Yours truly

R. A. Thornton
R. A. Thornton, M. D.

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