

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

18327

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.

1. PLACE OF DEATH  
 County St. Louis  
 Township Webster Groves  
 City Webster Groves (N. Anglin)

Registration District No. 788  
 Primary Registration District No. 447

File No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Registered No. 62  
 St. \_\_\_\_\_ Ward \_\_\_\_\_

2. FULL NAME Samuel Schrimsher  
 (a) Residence. No. Rock Hill + Reavis Pl. St. \_\_\_\_\_ Ward \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Usual place of abode)  
 Length of residence in city or town where death occurred 15 yrs. mos. ds. How long in U.S., if of foreign birth? yrs. mos. ds.

(If nonresident give city or town and State)

**PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS**

**MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH**

3. SEX Male 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 Lucy Schrimsher  
 6. DATE OF BIRTH (MONTH, DAY AND YEAR) Oct 16 1878  
 7. AGE YEARS MONTHS DAYS If LESS than 1 day, \_\_\_\_\_ hrs. or \_\_\_\_\_ min. 49 6 16  
 8. OCCUPATION OF DECEASED (a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of Day Laborer (b) General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which employed (or employer) \_\_\_\_\_ (c) Name of employer Steffens Plumbing Co

16. DATE OF DEATH (MONTH, DAY AND YEAR) May 2 1928  
 17. I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_, to \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_, that I last saw h. \_\_\_\_\_ alive on \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_, and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 8.30 P. m.

THE CAUSE OF DEATH\* WAS AS FOLLOWS:  
Accident overcome by illuminating gas while working in ditch.  
 (duration) \_\_\_\_\_ yrs. \_\_\_\_\_ mos. \_\_\_\_\_ ds.

CONTRIBUTORY (SECONDARY) Injury  
 18. WHERE WAS DISEASE CONTRACTED \_\_\_\_\_  
 IF NOT AT PLACE OF DEATH \_\_\_\_\_  
 DID AN OPERATION PRECEDE DEATH? \_\_\_\_\_ DATE OF \_\_\_\_\_  
 WAS THERE AN AUTOPSY? \_\_\_\_\_

9. BIRTHPLACE (CITY OR TOWN) Richland (STATE OR COUNTRY) Missouri  
 10. NAME OF FATHER \_\_\_\_\_  
 11. BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (CITY OR TOWN) \_\_\_\_\_ (STATE OR COUNTRY) \_\_\_\_\_  
 12. MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Nancy Atkins  
 13. BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (CITY OR TOWN) \_\_\_\_\_ (STATE OR COUNTRY) Missouri

WHAT TEST CONFIRMED DIAGNOSIS? \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Signed) Louis H. Bopp M.D.  
5/3, 1928 (Address) 131 Bryone Kirkwood Dr

14. INFORMANT Lucy Schrimsher (Address) Rock Hill + Reavis Pl. Webster Groves  
 15. FILED 5-24-28 1928 Arthur W. Westrup REGISTRAR  
per Eric Benson

19. PLACE OF BURIAL, CREMATION, OR REMOVAL Oak Hill DATE OF BURIAL May 4 1928  
 20. UNDERTAKER Parker Land Co ADDRESS Webster Groves

# 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*; *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), 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," "Infantion," "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. This 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 St. Louis Registration District No. 988 File No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Township \_\_\_\_\_ Primary Registration District No. 4471 Registered No. 62  
Webster Grove (No. \_\_\_\_\_) St. \_\_\_\_\_ Ward \_\_\_\_\_

**2. FULL NAME** Samuel Sahninscher

(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** M (write the word)

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

**6. DATE OF BIRTH (MONTH, DAY AND YEAR)**

**7. AGE** YEARS MONTHS DAYS If LESS than 1 day, \_\_\_\_\_ hrs. or \_\_\_\_\_ min.

**8. OCCUPATION OF DECEASED**  
 (a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work \_\_\_\_\_ (duration) \_\_\_\_\_ yrs. \_\_\_\_\_ mos. \_\_\_\_\_ ds.  
 (b) General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which employed (or employer) \_\_\_\_\_ (duration) \_\_\_\_\_ yrs. \_\_\_\_\_ mos. \_\_\_\_\_ ds.  
 (c) Name of employer \_\_\_\_\_

**9. BIRTHPLACE (CITY OR TOWN) (STATE OR COUNTRY)**

**10. NAME OF FATHER** Unknown Sahninscher

**11. BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (CITY OR TOWN) (STATE OR COUNTRY)** Unknown

**12. MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER**

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

**14. INFORMANT (Address)**

**15. FILED** 7-19-28 Arthur W. Westrup REGISTER  
per Elsie Nelson

**MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH**

**16. DATE OF DEATH (MONTH, DAY AND YEAR)** May 2 19 28

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

THE CAUSE OF DEATH WAS AS FOLLOWS:

**CONTRIBUTORY (SECONDARY)** \_\_\_\_\_ (duration) \_\_\_\_\_ yrs. \_\_\_\_\_ mos. \_\_\_\_\_ ds.

\_\_\_\_\_ (duration) \_\_\_\_\_ yrs. \_\_\_\_\_ mos. \_\_\_\_\_ ds.

**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) \_\_\_\_\_, M. D.

\_\_\_\_\_ 19 \_\_\_\_\_ (Address)

\*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.

**19. PLACE OF BURIAL, CREMATION, OR REMOVAL** **DATE OF BURIAL**

\_\_\_\_\_ 19 \_\_\_\_\_

**20. UNDERTAKER** **ADDRESS**

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FADING INK--THIS IS A TERM

REGISTRATION FEE FOR CERTIFICATES UNTIL THEY ARE COMPLETE AS PRESCRIBED BY LAW

SUPPLEMENTARY

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