

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

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1. PLACE OF DEATH
 County Christian Registration District No. 152
 Township Lincoln Primary Registration District No. 5-252
 City Chever (No.) St. Ward)

2. FULL NAME John Jefferson Williams
 (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 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 Alice Williams

6. DATE OF BIRTH (MONTH, DAY AND YEAR) May-17-1848

7. AGE YEARS MONTHS DAY If LESS than 1 day, hrs. or min.
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8. OCCUPATION OF DECEASED
 (a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work Farmer
 (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) Tennessee

10. NAME OF FATHER John Williams

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

12. MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Abeline Hart

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

14. INFORMANT Ulman Sanders
 (Address).....

15. FILED 7/10/29 A. A. Maples
 REGISTRAR

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

16. DATE OF DEATH (MONTH, DAY AND YEAR) June-26-1929

17. I HEREBY CERTIFY That I attended deceased from Jan 1928, to June 1929, that I last saw him alive on Feb 23, 1929, and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 11 2 a m.

THE CAUSE OF DEATH WAS AS FOLLOWS:

General Debility

CONTRIBUTORY (SECONDARY) 164

18. WHERE WAS DISEASE CONTRACTED
 IF NOT AT PLACE OF DEATH.....

19. DID AN OPERATION PRECEDE DEATH? no DATE OF.....

20. WAS THERE AN AUTOPSY? no

WHAT TEST CONFIRMED DIAGNOSIS Phys
 (Signed) Portman, M. D.
 (Address) Chever 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 Republic Cem. DATE OF BURIAL June-27-1929

20. UNDERTAKER J. W. Maples ADDRESS Chever-Mo.

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

N. E.—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.

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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 em-

ployment, it is necessary to know (a) the kind of occupation, also (b) the nature of the business or industry; therefore an additional line is provided for statement; it should be used only when necessary. As examples: (a) *Spinner, (b) Cotton mill, (c) Weaver, (d) Grocer, (e) Foreman, (f) Automobile.* The material worked on may form the second statement. Never return to the first, "Foreman," "Manager," "Dealer," etc., unless more precise specification, as *Day laborer, Miner, Laborer—Coal mine,* etc. Women at home are engaged in the duties of the household (not paid *Housekeepers* who receive a salary), may be entered as *Housewife, Mother, 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 *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 may be indicated thus: *Farmer (retired, 6 years).* For persons who have no occupation whatsoever, 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 septicaemia," "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,* etc.), 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.