

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

1 PLACE OF DEATH

County Buller  
Township St Francis  
Village  
City

Registration District No. 990 File No. 5252  
Primary Registration District No. 5133 Registered No. 4  
St. Ward

2 FULL NAME

John Reading

[If death occurred in a hospital or institution, give its NAME instead of street and number.]

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

3 SEX M 4 COLOR OR RACE W 5 SINGLE MARRIED WIDOWED OR DIVORCED single  
(Write the word)

16 DATE OF DEATH Feb 18 1907  
(Month) (Day) (Year)

6 DATE OF BIRTH April 13 1884  
(Month) (Day) (Year)

17 I HEREBY CERTIFY, that I attended deceased from Jan 25 1907 to Feb 18 1907  
that I last saw him alive on Jan 25 1907  
and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 4:50 a.m.

7 AGE 22 10 5  
yrs. mos. ds. If LESS than 1 day, hrs. or min.?

The CAUSE OF DEATH\* was as follows:  
Pneumonia  
108  
(Duration) yrs. mos. ds.

8 OCCUPATION (a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work Laborer  
(b) General nature of industry business, or establishment in which employed (or employer)

CONTRIBUTORY (Secondary) W. M. Jones  
(Signed) Feb 14 1907 (Address) Poplar Bluff Mo

9 BIRTHPLACE (City or town, State or foreign country) Pike Co MO

10 NAME OF FATHER Hugh Reading  
11 BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER unknown  
12 MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Elizabeth Cosmick  
13 BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER unknown

\*State the Disease Causing Death, or, in deaths from Violent Causes, state (1) Means of Injury; and (2) whether Accidental, Suicidal or Homicidal.

18 LENGTH OF RESIDENCE (For Hospitals, Institutions, Transients, or Recent Residents)  
At place of death yrs. mos. ds. In the State yrs. mos. ds.  
Where was disease contracted if not at place of death?  
Former or usual residence

14 THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE  
(Informant) Eva Clever  
(Address) Roubauer Mo

19 PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL Hantom Cemetery DATE OF BURIAL Feb 19 1907

15 Filed Feb 15 1907 W. J. Galt  
Registrar

20 UNDERTAKER Green Undertaking Co ADDRESS Poplar Bluff

N. 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 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*; *Bronchopneumonia* ("Pneumonia," unqualified, is indefinite); *Tuberculosis of lungs, meninges, peritonaeum*, etc., *Carcinoma*, *Sarcoma*, etc., of ..... (name origin; "Cancer" is less definite; avoid use of "Tumor" for malignant neoplasms); *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," "Anaemia" (merely symptomatic), "Atrophy," "Collapse," "Coma," "Convulsions," "Debility" ("Congenital," "Senile," etc.), "Dropsy," "Exhaustion," "Heart failure," "Haemorrhage," "Inanition," "Marasmus," "Old age," "Shock," "Uræmia," "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*) 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.)

109

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

Do not use this space.

**1. PLACE OF DEATH**

County Butler Registration District No. 990 File No. 5752  
 Township St. Francis Primary Registration District No. 5733 Registered No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 City \_\_\_\_\_ No. \_\_\_\_\_ St. \_\_\_\_\_ Ward \_\_\_\_\_

**2. FULL NAME**

John Reading  
 (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 S  
(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.  
82 10 5

8. Trade, profession, or particular kind of work done, as spinner, sawyer, bookkeeper, etc. \_\_\_\_\_  
 9. Industry or business in which work was done, as silk mill, saw mill, bank, etc. \_\_\_\_\_  
 10. Date deceased last worked at this occupation (month and year) \_\_\_\_\_  
 11. Total time (years) spent in this occupation? \_\_\_\_\_

12. BIRTHPLACE (CITY OR TOWN) (STATE OR COUNTRY) \_\_\_\_\_

FATHER 13. NAME \_\_\_\_\_

14. BIRTHPLACE (CITY OR TOWN) (STATE OR COUNTRY) \_\_\_\_\_

MOTHER 15. MAIDEN NAME \_\_\_\_\_

16. BIRTHPLACE (CITY OR TOWN) (STATE OR COUNTRY) \_\_\_\_\_

17. INFORMANT (ADDRESS) \_\_\_\_\_

18. BURIAL, CREMATION, OR REMOVAL

PLACE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_ 19

19. UNDERTAKER (ADDRESS) \_\_\_\_\_

20. FILED Feb 19 1937 W. J. Zell Registrar.

**MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH**

21. DATE OF DEATH (MONTH, DAY, AND YEAR) 2 - 18 1937

22. I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_, to \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_.

I last saw him/her on \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_. Death is said to have occurred on the date stated above, at \_\_\_\_\_ m.

The principal cause of death and related causes of importance were as follows:

Pneumonia  
Tobacco  
 Other contributory causes of importance 108  
 Name of operation \_\_\_\_\_ Date of \_\_\_\_\_  
 What test confirmed diagnosis? \_\_\_\_\_ Was there an autopsy? \_\_\_\_\_

23. If death was due to external causes (violence), fill in also the following:  
 Accident, suicide, or homicide? \_\_\_\_\_ Date of injury \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_.

Where did injury occur? \_\_\_\_\_ (Specify city or town, county, and State)  
 Specify whether injury occurred in industry, in home, or in public place. \_\_\_\_\_

Manner of injury \_\_\_\_\_  
 Nature of injury \_\_\_\_\_

24. Was disease or injury in any way related to occupation of deceased? \_\_\_\_\_

If so, specify \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Signed) J. M. Mc Peters, M. D.  
 (Address) Capital Bldg

WRITE PLAINLY, WITH UNFADING 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.

SUPPLEMENTAL

525252