

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

PLACE OF DEATH

County Dekalb
Township _____
or
Village Clarksdale
or
City _____ (NO. _____ St.; _____ Ward)

Registration District No. 258 File No. 4393
Primary Registration District No. 4157 Registered No. 2

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

FULL NAME Charles Madison McWilliams

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

SEX Male COLOR OR RACE White SINGLE MARRIED WIDOWED OR DIVORCED (Write the word) Married

DATE OF DEATH February 6th, 1914
(Month) (Day) (Year)

DATE OF BIRTH December 25th, 1869
(Month) (Day) (Year)

I HEREBY CERTIFY, that I attended deceased from Feb. 2d, 1914, to Feb. 7th, 1914, that I last saw him alive on Feb. 6th, 1914, and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 7:45 P. M.

AGE 44 yrs. 1 mos. 11 ds. IF LESS than 1 day, ___ hrs. or ___ min.?

The CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows:
acute septic infection following amputation of right limb.
(Duration) yrs. 1 mos. 21 ds.

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

Contributory (SECONDARY) _____ (Duration) yrs. ___ mos. ___ ds.

BIRTHPLACE (City or town, State or foreign country) Missouri

(Signed) H. C. Kunkel M. D. Feb. 7th, 1914 (Address) Clarksdale, Mo

NAME OF FATHER George McWilliams

BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (City or town, State or foreign country) Missouri

MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Mary Lindsay

BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (City or town, State or foreign country) Kentucky

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

LENGTH OF RESIDENCE (FOR HOSPITALS, INSTITUTIONS, TRANSIENTS, OR RECENT RESIDENTS)

At place of death ___ yrs. ___ mos. ___ ds. In the State ___ yrs. ___ mos. ___ ds.

THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE

Where was disease contracted If not at place of death? _____

(Informant) Mrs Chas McWilliams

Former or usual residence _____

(ADDRESS) Clarksdale Mo

PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL Clarksdale Cemetery DATE OF BURIAL Feb 8, 1914

Filed Feb. 7, 1914 J. R. Elliott REGISTRAR

UNDERTAKER C. M. Davis ADDRESS Clarksdale, Mo.

CAUSE OF DEATH in plain terms, so that it may be properly classified. Exact statement of OCCUPATION in very important. PHYSICIANS should state EXACTLY.

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*, *Compositor*, *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, peritoneum*, 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," "Uraemia," "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.)

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

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(Informant) _____

(ADDRESS) _____

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DATE OF DEATH _____ (Month) _____ (Day) _____ (Year) 1914

I HEREBY CERTIFY, that I attended deceased from _____ Satisfactory information _____ applied.

that I last saw him _____ (Date) _____ (Month) _____ (Year) 1914 and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at _____ m.

The CAUSE OF DEATH was as follows: Acute Septic Infection following amputation of right thumb. Probable limb in way of contributor. Failure of _____ of bones.

Contributory (SECONDARY) _____ (Duration) _____ yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds.

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UNDERTAKER McDennis, Clarksdal Mo ADDRESS _____

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