

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

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1 PLACE OF DEATH

County Shannon  
Township Jackson  
or  
Village  
or  
City (NO. \_\_\_\_\_ St. \_\_\_\_\_ Ward \_\_\_\_\_)

Registration District No. 637 File No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Primary Registration District No. 6080 Registered No. 1

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

2 FULL NAME Hiram Thomas Smith

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

3 SEX male 4 COLOR OR RACE white 5 SINGLE married  
MARRIED  
WIDOWED  
OR DIVORCED  
(Write the word)

16 DATE OF DEATH July 20 Aug 25 1919  
(Month) (Day) (Year)

6 DATE OF BIRTH March 2 1847  
(Month) (Day) (Year)

17 I HEREBY CERTIFY, that I attended deceased from July 20 1919 to Aug 6 1919  
that I last saw him alive on July 28 1919  
and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 12:10 m.

7 AGE 72 yrs. 5 mos. 4 ds. If LESS than 1 day, hrs. or min.?

The CAUSE OF DEATH\* is as follows:  
typhoid fever

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

(Duration) \_\_\_\_\_ yrs. \_\_\_\_\_ mos. 25 ds.

9 BIRTHPLACE (City or town, State or foreign country) Tenn.

CONTRIBUTORY (Secondary) \_\_\_\_\_  
(Signed) C. R. Garrill M. D.  
Aug 7, 1919 (Address) Summersville

10 NAME OF FATHER Peter Smith

11 BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (City or town, State or foreign country) Tenn.

12 MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Dont know

13 BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (City or town, State or foreign country) Dont know

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

14 THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE  
(Informant) M. J. Smith  
(Address) Akers, Mo.

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 \_\_\_\_\_

15 Filed Aug 6 1919 Wesley Cooley Registrar

19 PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL Smith Cemetery DATE OF BURIAL Aug 6 1919  
20 UNDERTAKER None ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

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, 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 CAUSING DEATH (the primary affection with relation to time and causation), using always the same name for the same disease. Examples: *Cerebral meningitis* (the only definite synonym is "Epidemic cerebral meningitis"); *Diphtheria* (avoid use of "Diphtheritic"); *Typhoid fever* (never report "Typhoid pneumonia"; *Bronchopneumonia* ("Pneumonia" unqualified, is indefinite); *Tuberculosis of lungs, 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," "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.)