

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

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

PLACE OF BIRTH

County Clinton

Township _____

Village _____

City Plattsburg

Registration District No. 207

File No. 13818

Primary Registration District No. 4125

Registered No. 26

St. _____ Ward _____

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

FULL NAME Maria Williams

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

SEX female COLOR OR RACE negro SINGLE MARRIED WIDOWED OR DIVORCED single
(Write the word)

DATE OF BIRTH January 1, 1899
(Month) (Day) (Year)

AGE 12 yrs. 3 mos. 8 ds. IF LESS than 1 day, _____ hrs. or _____ min.?

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

BIRTHPLACE (City or town, State or foreign country) Spokane Wash

PARENTS NAME OF FATHER Robert Williams BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER not obtainable MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Lizurilla Bransa BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER Clinton County Mo

THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE (Informant) Maud Jackson (ADDRESS) Plattsburg Mo

Filed Apr 10 1911 Frank H. Hullon REGISTRAR

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

DATE OF DEATH Apr 9, 1911
(Month) (Day) (Year)

I HEREBY CERTIFY, that I attended deceased from Feb 2, 1911, to Feb 5, 1911, that I last saw her alive on Feb 25, 1911, and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 12 m.

The CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows: Infantile Paralysis
16 (Duration) yrs. 10 mos. 7 ds.
Contributory Sagittal
(Duration) yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds.
(Signed) M. S. Jackson M. D. (Address) Plattsburg Mo

*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. Where was disease contracted if not at place of death? Former or usual residence _____

PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL Plattsburg Negro Cemetery DATE OF BURIAL 4/11 1911
UNDERTAKER W E Ellworth ADDRESS Plattsburg

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*, *Sar-*

coma, 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.)

