

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

PLACE OF DEATH

County _____

Township _____

Village _____

City St Louis

Registration District No. _____ File No. 26711

Primary Registration District No. _____ Registered No. 6913

FULL NAME Mrs Adeline Smith

(NO. Barnard Shins & Co. 17 Ward) [If death occurred in a hospital or institution, give its NAME instead of street and number]

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

SEX Female COLOR OR RACE White MARRIED Married
UNMARRIED
OR DIVORCED
(Write the word)

DATE OF DEATH July 20, 1911
(Month) (Day) (Year)

DATE OF BIRTH March 16, 1862
(Month) (Day) (Year)

I HEREBY CERTIFY, that I attended deceased from June 20, 1911, to July 20, 1911, that I last saw her alive on July 20, 1911, and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 2 P. m.

AGE 49 yrs. 4 mos. 4 ds. If LESS than 1 day, ___ hrs. or ___ min.?

The CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows:
Overexhaustion of Brain
50 yrs (Duration) 2 yrs. ___ mos. ___ ds.

OCCUPATION (a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work House wife
(b) General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which employed (or employer) At Home

BIRTHPLACE (City or town, State or foreign country) Manchester Mo.

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

NAME OF FATHER Richard Stephens

BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (City or town, State or foreign country) Norfolk Va.

MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Lucinda Triplett

BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (City or town, State or foreign country) Manchester Mo.

(Signed) Ch. Hall (Address) St. Louis Hospital
July 20, 1911

*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. 2 mos. 11 ds. In the State 49 yrs. 4 mos. 4 ds.
Where was disease contracted if not at place of death? St Louis mo.
Former or usual residence St Louis mo.

THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE (Informant) C. L. Shotwell

(ADDRESS) Baldwin mo.

PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL Manchester mo DATE OF BURIAL July 23, 1911

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UNDERTAKER M. W. Alexander ADDRESS 2835 Olive

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.

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 term for the same disease. Examples: "*Cerebrum*" (the only definite synonym is "Epidemic meningitis"); *Diphtheria* (avoid use of *Typhoid fever* (never report "Typhoid fever"); *Lobar pneumonia*; *Bronchopneumonia*, unqualified, is indefinite); *Tuberculosis meningis, peritoneum*, 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.)

HUGH STEPHENS, JEFFERSON CITY.

