

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

PLACE OF DEATH
County Buchanan
Township _____
or
Village _____
or
City St. Joseph (NO. Ensworth Hospital Ward) [If death occurred in a hospital or institution, give its NAME instead of street and number]

Registration District No. 86 File No. 25527
Primary Registration District No. 1001 Registered No. 741

FULL NAME Luther Merwin

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

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

DATE OF BIRTH July 4, 1888
(Month) (Day) (Year)

AGE 76 yrs. 1 mos. 5 ds. If LESS than 1 day, ___ hrs. or ___ min.?

OCCUPATION (a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work Farmer
(b) General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which employed (or employer) 1-02

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

NAME OF FATHER Martin Merwin

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

MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Martha Kier

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

THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE

(Informant) Adda Pendarvis
(ADDRESS) 116 W. Isabel

Filed Aug 9, 1913 W. E. Harrington
REGISTRAR

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

DATE OF DEATH Aug 9, 1913
(Month) (Day) (Year)

I HEREBY CERTIFY, that I attended deceased from Aug 8, 1913, to Aug 9, 1913, that I last saw him alive on Aug 9, 1913, and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 11:30 a.m.
The CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows:

Stroke following
aspiration of thigh (left)
intracranial hemorrhage

Contributory the arthritis of the hip
(SECONDARY) (Duration) 7 yrs. 7 mos. 7 ds.

(Signed) Jacob Geiger M. D.
Aug 7, 1913 (Address) St. Joseph, 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 1 ds. In the 26 yrs. 7 mos. 7 ds. State

Where was disease contracted Gentry Mo.
If not at place of death

Former or usual residence Gentry Mo.

PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL Gentry Mo. DATE OF BURIAL Aug 9, 1913

UNDERTAKER P. Meierhoffer ADDRESS 824 Felix

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[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, 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, 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.)

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

Township _____ Registration District No. 85 File No. _____
or
Village _____ Primary Registration District No. 1001 Registered No. 741
or
City St. Joseph Ensworth Hospital (Ward) _____
FULL NAME Luther Merwin (If death occurred in a hospital or institution, give its NAME instead of street and number)

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

SEX M. COLOR OR RACE W. SINGLE MARRIED WIDOWED OR DIVORCED married
(Write the word)

DATE OF BIRTH _____ (Day) _____ (Year) _____ (Year)
Satisfactory Information Supplied.

AGE _____ yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds. IF LESS than _____ day, _____ hrs. or _____ min.

OCCUPATION
(a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work _____
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Satisfactory Information Supplied.

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

PARENTS
NAME OF FATHER _____
BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (City or town, State or foreign country) _____
MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER _____
BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (City or town, State or foreign country) _____
SUPPLEMENTARY Satisfactory Information Supplied.

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

DATE OF DEATH Aug. 9, 1913
(Month) (Day) (Year)

I HEREBY CERTIFY, that I attended deceased from _____, 191____, to _____, 191____, that I last saw h _____, 191____, and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at _____ m.

The CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows:
Shock following amputation of thigh (left) tuberculous of knee joint involving right of tibial condyle of femur
(Duration) _____ yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds.
Contributory Septic arthritis & osteomyelitis
(SECONDARY) (Duration) _____ yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds.

(Signed) Jacob P. Giggs M. D.
Aug 9, 1913 (Address) St. Joseph, Mo

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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 _____ DATE OF BURIAL _____, 191____

UNDERTAKER _____ ADDRESS _____
Satisfactory Information Supplied.

THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE
(Informant) Satisfactory Information Supplied.
(ADDRESS) _____

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