

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

PLACE OF DEATH

County Jackson
Township Kaw
or
Village _____
or
City Kansas City (NO. 3300 Bellefontaine St. _____ Ward _____)

Registration District No. 399 File No. 4986
Primary Registration District No. 1002 Registered No. 703

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

FULL NAME Irving A. Steffen

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

SEX <u>M</u>	COLOR OR RACE <u>W</u>	SINGLE MARRIED WIDOWED OR DIVORCED <u>Single</u>
DATE OF BIRTH <u>Nov 18 1893</u> (Month) (Day) (Year)		
AGE <u>21 yrs 3 mos 7 ds.</u>		IF LESS than 1 day, ___ hrs. or ___ min.?
OCCUPATION (a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work <u>Clerk</u> (b) General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which employed (or employer) <u>First National Bank</u>		

DATE OF DEATH Feb 25 1915
(Month) (Day) (Year)

I HEREBY CERTIFY, that I attended deceased from Feb 1st, 1915, to Feb 25, 1915, that I last saw him alive on Feb 24, 1915, and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 2:15 p.m.

The CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows:
Acute Dilatation of Heart

97A
95B (Duration) ___ yrs. ___ mos. ___ ds.

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

PARENTS	NAME OF FATHER <u>Albert Steffen</u>
	BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (City or town, State or foreign country) <u>Illinois</u>
	MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER <u>Amelia Stosberg</u>
	BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (City or town, State or foreign country) <u>Mo.</u>

Contributory Chronic Endocarditis
(SECONDARY) (Duration) 2 yrs. ___ mos. ___ ds.

(Signed) C. B. Hoffman M. D.
Feb 25 1915 (Address) 2600 Cant 31

*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 about 9 yrs. ___ mos. ___ ds. In the 3 yrs. ___ mos. ___ ds.
of death
Where was disease contracted if not at place of death? Residence
Former or usual residence 3300 Bellefontaine

THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE
(Informant) Mrs Daniel G Stosberg
(ADDRESS) 3300 Bellefontaine

PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL Arvawash, Ill DATE OF BURIAL Feb 26 1915
UNDERTAKER D. W. Newcome's Sons ADDRESS 2111 E 9th St

FILED FEB 26 1915 REGISTRAR W. S. Wheeler

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, 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," "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.)