

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

1 PLACE OF DEATH

County

Township

Village

City St. Louis Mo.

Registration District No. 781

File No. 23174

Primary Registration District No. 1003

Registered No. 5981

(No. 1109 Palm Str St. 2 Ward)

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

2 FULL NAME Bernice M. L. Osterwisch

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS.

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

3 SEX Female 4 COLOR OR RACE White 5 SINGLE MARRIED WIDOWED OR DIVORCED (Write the word) Single

10 DATE OF DEATH July 11th 1915
(Month) (Day) (Year)

6 DATE OF BIRTH August 22 1914
(Month) (Day) (Year)

17 I HEREBY CERTIFY, that I attended deceased from July 11th 7 P.M., 1915 to July 11th 10⁴⁵ P.M. 1915 that I last saw her alive on July 11th, 1915 and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 10⁴⁵ P.M.

7 AGE 10 yrs. 18 mos. 18 ds. If LESS than 1 day.....hrs. or.....min.?

The CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows:

8 OCCUPATION (a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work None (b) General nature of industry business, or establishment in which employed (or employer)

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86 Convulsions caused by enteritis (Duration).....yrs.....mos. one day
Dentition & Remittant Fever

9 BIRTHPLACE (City or town, State or foreign country) Missouri St. Louis

CONTRIBUTORY (Secondary) (Duration).....yrs.....mos. 4 ds.

10 NAME OF FATHER Henry Osterwisch

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

12 MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Tillie Steybo.

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

14 THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE (Informant) Henry Osterwisch (Address) 1109 Palm St.

(Signed) Edw. C. Ellerbrock M. D. July 12th, 1915 (Address) 1415 Hebert St.

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.....

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19 PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL St Peters DATE OF BURIAL July 13, 1915

20 UNDERTAKER Henry Lidner ADDRESS 1417 N. Market St.

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 neoplasmis); *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.)