

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

1 PLACE OF DEATH  
County Lewis  
Township Dickerson  
or  
Village  
or  
City (NO. \_\_\_\_\_ Ward)

Registration District No. 482 File No. 32333  
Primary Registration District No. 5646 Registered No. \_\_\_\_\_

2 FULL NAME Eliza Jane Messer

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

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

3 SEX Female  
4 COLOR OR RACE White  
5 SINGLE MARRIED WIDDED OR DIVORCED (Write the word) Widow  
6 DATE OF BIRTH April 25 1838  
(Month) (Day) (Year)  
7 AGE 79 yrs. 4 mos. 9 ds.  
If LESS than 1 day, hrs. or min?  
8 OCCUPATION (a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work Housewife  
(b) General nature of industry business, or establishment in which employed (or employer)

16 DATE OF DEATH Sept 14 1917  
(Month) (Day) (Year)  
17 I HEREBY CERTIFY, that I attended deceased from June 1 1917 to Sept 14 1917  
that I last saw her alive on Sept 14 1917  
and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 4 P. m.  
The CAUSE OF DEATH\* was as follows:  
Nephritis

9 BIRTHPLACE (City or town, State or foreign country) Ky

(Duration) 1 yrs. \_\_\_\_\_ mos. \_\_\_\_\_ ds.

10 NAME OF FATHER Justus Gray  
11 BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (City or town, State or foreign country) Ky  
12 MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Sarah  
13 BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (City or town, State or foreign country) Ky

CONTRIBUTORY (Secondary) \_\_\_\_\_  
(Duration) \_\_\_\_\_ yrs. \_\_\_\_\_ mos. \_\_\_\_\_ ds.  
(Signed) Geo P Knight M. D.  
Sept 5 1917 (Address) Manticeello  
\*State the Disease Causing Death, or, in deaths from Violent Causes, state (1) Means of Injury; and (2) whether Accidental, Suicidal or Homicidal.  
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 \_\_\_\_\_

14 THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE  
(Informant) Sam Messer  
(Address) Manticeello Mo

15 Filed Sept 15 1917 Geo P Knight Registrar

19 PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL Manticeello  
DATE OF BURIAL Sept 5 1917  
20 UNDERTAKER Joe Coder  
ADDRESS Linnopolis Mo

# Revised United States Standard Certificate of Death

[Approved by U. S. Census and American Public Health  
Association]

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**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 septicæmia," "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.)

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(Informant) .....  
(Address) .....15 Filed Nov 7, 191 Geo. P. Yeight  
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Nephritis Chronic Interstitial  
(Duration) 1/20 yrs. mos. ds.CONTRIBUTORY (Secondary) .....  
(Duration) ..... yrs. mos. ds.  
(Signed) ..... M. D.  
..... 191..... (Address) .....

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