

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

**PLACE OF DEATH**

County Daviess  
Township State  
or Altamont  
City \_\_\_\_\_ (NO. \_\_\_\_\_ St. \_\_\_\_\_ Ward \_\_\_\_\_)

Registration District No. 248 File No. 6 9147  
Primary Registration District No. 4148 Registered No. 6

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

**FULL NAME** Sarah Ann Chewiger

**PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS**

SEX Female COLOR OR RACE white SINGLE  MARRIED  WIDOWED  OR DIVORCED  (Write the word)  
DATE OF BIRTH Jan 24, 1842  
(Month) (Day) (Year)  
AGE 77 yrs. 2 mos. 6 ds. IF LESS than 1 day, \_\_\_ hrs. or \_\_\_ min.?

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

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

**PARENTS**  
NAME OF FATHER \_\_\_\_\_  
BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (City or town, State or foreign country) Indiana  
MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER \_\_\_\_\_  
BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (City or town, State or foreign country) Indiana

THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE  
(Informant) Daughter Mrs. Stout  
(ADDRESS) Altamont

Filed Apr 3 1919  
W. S. R. Surface REGISTRAR

**MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH**

DATE OF DEATH Mar 20, 1919  
(Month) (Day) (Year)  
I HEREBY CERTIFY, that I attended deceased from 3-25, 1919, to 3-30, 1919, that I last saw her alive on 3-30, 1919, and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 3:30 m.  
The CAUSE OF DEATH\* was as follows:

Solar Pneumonia  
108 92  
(Duration) \_\_\_ yrs. \_\_\_ mos. 6 ds.

Contributory (SECONDARY) \_\_\_\_\_ (Duration) \_\_\_ yrs. \_\_\_ mos. \_\_\_ ds.  
(Signed) J. L. Rouch M. D.  
3-31-1919 (Address) Altamont 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 \_\_\_ 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 Cape Emmet DATE OF BURIAL \_\_\_\_\_ 1919  
UNDERTAKER Surface ADDRESS Altamont Mo

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[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*, *peritonæum*, 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 contributors (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 "Asthénia," "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 septichaemia*," "*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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 County Davies Registration District No. 248 File No. 6  
 Township Altamont Primary Registration District No. 4148 Registered No. 6  
 City Altamont (No. ....) St. .... Ward) .....

2. FULL NAME Sarah Ann Cleenger  
 (a) Residence. No. .... St. .... Ward. ....  
 (Usual place of abode) (If nonresident give city or town and State)  
 Length of residence in city or town where death occurred yrs. mos. da. How long in U.S., if of foreign birth? yrs. mos. da.

**PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS**

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3. SEX F 4. COLOR OR RACE W. 5. SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED OR DIVORCED (write the word) Widow

5A. IF MARRIED, WIDOWED, OR DIVORCED HUSBAND OF (OR) WIFE OF Widow

6. DATE OF BIRTH (MONTH, DAY AND YEAR) .....

7. AGE YEARS MONTHS DAYS IF LESS than 1 day, hrs. or min.  
77 2 6 .....

8. OCCUPATION OF DECEASED  
 (a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work housewife  
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9. BIRTHPLACE (CITY OR TOWN) (STATE OR COUNTRY) .....

10. NAME OF FATHER .....

11. BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (CITY OR TOWN) (STATE OR COUNTRY) Indiana

12. MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER .....

13. BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (CITY OR TOWN) (STATE OR COUNTRY) Indiana

14. INFORMANT daughter Mrs. Stort (Address) Altamont Mo

15. FILED 1911 Mrs. R. S. Baker REGISTRAR

16. DATE OF DEATH (MONTH, DAY AND YEAR) Nov 19 1919

17. I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from 3-30 1919 to 3-30 1919 that I last saw him/her alive on 3-30 1919, and that death occurred on the date stated above, at 2-30 P.M.

THE CAUSE OF DEATH\* WAS AS FOLLOWS:  
LABOR PNEUMONIA  
97 (duration) .....

CONTRIBUTORY (SECONDARY) .....

18. WHERE WAS DISEASE CONTRACTED  
 IF NOT AT PLACE OF DEATH: .....

DID AN OPERATION PRECEDE DEATH? .....

DATE OF .....

WAS THERE AN AUTOPSY? .....

WHAT TEST CONFIRMED DIAGNOSIS?  
 (Signed) J. S. Reel, M. D.  
 , 19 1919 (Address) Altamont Mo

\*State the DISEASE CAUSING DEATH, or in deaths from VIOLENT CAUSES, state (1) MEANS AND NATURE OF INJURY, and (2) whether ACCIDENTAL, SUICIDAL, or HOMICIDAL. (See reverse side for additional space.)

19. PLACE OF BURIAL, CREMATION, OR REMOVAL Cape Cemetery DATE OF BURIAL Apr 1 1919

20. UNDERTAKER Wm. Lee of St. Altamont ADDRESS .....

ALL INFORMATION CALLED FOR MUST BE WRITTEN ON THIS SUPPLEMENTARY.

REGISTRARS SHALL NOT RECEIVE A FEE FOR CERTIFICATES UNTIL THEY ARE COMPLETED AS PRESCRIBED BY LAW. EXACT STATEMENT OF CAUSE OF DEATH IS VERY IMPORTANT.

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NOTE.—Individual offices may add to above list of undesirable terms and refuse to accept certificates containing them. Thus the form in use in New York City states: "Certificates will be returned for additional information which give any of the following diseases, without explanation, as the sole cause of death: Abortion, cellulitis, childbirth, convulsions, hemorrhage, gangrene, gastritis, erysipelas, meningitis, miscarriage, necrosis, peritonitis, phlebitis, pyemia, septicemia, tetanus." But general adoption of the minimum list suggested will work vast improvement, and its scope can be extended at a later date.

ADDITIONAL SPACE FOR FURTHER STATEMENTS  
BY PHYSICIAN.

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