

PHYSICIANS should state EXACTLY the cause of DEATH and OCCUPATION is very important.

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

1 PLACE OF DEATH

County Bates Registration District No. 50 File No. 32329
 Township Summit or Primary Registration District No. 6076 Registered No. 53
 Village or City _____ (NO. _____ St. _____ Ward _____)

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

2 FULL NAME Barbara Frances Norris

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

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

6 DATE OF BIRTH Feb 27 1895
(Month) (Day) (Year)

7 AGE 68 yrs 8 mos 11 ds. **If LESS than 1 day** _____ hrs. or _____ min.?

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

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

PARENTS
10 NAME OF FATHER Richard Houston
11 BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER Virginia
(City or town, State or foreign country)
12 MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Mary Jones
13 BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER Virginia
(City or town, State or foreign country)

14 THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE
 (Informant) Mrs J. B. Paulman
 (Address) Butler Mo.

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 Registrar

1. MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

16 DATE OF DEATH Nov 8 1919
(Month) (Day) (Year)

17 I HEREBY CERTIFY, that I attended deceased from Jan 1918 to Nov 9 1919 that I last saw her alive on Nov 7 1919 and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 7 AM

The **CAUSE OF DEATH*** was as follows:
Fatty degeneration of heart
92-19 (Duration) 2 yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds.

CONTRIBUTORY none (Secondary) (Duration) _____ yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds.
 (Signed) E. S. Jay M. D. 11-9-1919 (Address) Butler Mo.

*State the Disease Causing Death, or, in death 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 _____

19 PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL Oak Hill **DATE OF BURIAL** Nov 9 1919

20 UNDERTAKER Culver's **ADDRESS** Butler Mo.

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*, *Compositor*, *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, peritonaeum*, 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 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.)