

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

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1. PLACE OF DEATH St. Louis Registration District No. 786 File No. 28135
 County St. Louis Primary Registration District No. 4469 Registered No. 48
 Township McPherson City McPherson (No. 2625) Arthur Ave St. Ward
 2. FULL NAME Reginal M. Christopher
 (a) Residence No. Shipman Ill 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. 18 ds. How long in U.S., if of foreign birth? yrs. mos. ds.

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

3. SEX Male 4. COLOR OR RACE White 5. SINGLE, MARRIED, ~~WIDOWED~~ Widowed
 5A. IF MARRIED, WIDOWED, OR DIVORCED HUSBAND OF (OR) WIFE OF School boy
 6. DATE OF BIRTH (MONTH, DAY AND YEAR)
 7. AGE YEARS MONTHS DAYS If LESS than 1 day, hrs. or min. 16 - 29
 8. OCCUPATION OF DECEASED School boy
 (a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work
 (b) General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which employed (or employer)
 (c) Name of employer

9. BIRTHPLACE (CITY OR TOWN) Shepard (STATE OR COUNTRY) Ill
 10. NAME OF FATHER James A. Christopher
 11. BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (CITY OR TOWN) Shepard (STATE OR COUNTRY) Ill
 12. MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Freda G. Adams
 13. BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (CITY OR TOWN) St. Louis (STATE OR COUNTRY) Mo

14. INFORMANT James A. Christopher (Address) Shipman Ill
 15. FILED 9/9/23 19 23 Goodman REGISTRAR

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

16. DATE OF DEATH (MONTH, DAY AND YEAR) 9-9 19 23
 17. I HEREBY CERTIFY That I stated deceased from Sept 27, 1923, to 9-8, 19 23 that I last saw him alive on 9-8, 19 23 and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 5:40 a.m.
 THE CAUSE OF DEATH* WAS AS FOLLOWS:
Diabetes Mellitus
Dec 1922 to 5/17
Sept 9-1923 (duration) yrs. mos. ds.
 CONTRIBUTORY (SECONDARY) coma
40 hours duration (duration) yrs. mos. ds.

18. WHERE WAS DISEASE CONTRACTED Shipman Ill.
 IF NOT AT PLACE OF DEATH, DATE OF
 DID AN OPERATION PRECEDE DEATH? no DATE OF
 WAS THERE AN AUTOPSY? no
 WHAT TEST CONFIRMED DIAGNOSIS? Laboratory sugar
 (Signed) H. L. Luchey, M. D.
 , 19 (Address) McPherson 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 Shepard Ill DATE OF BURIAL 9/9 19 23
 OR UNDERTAKER Goodman ADDRESS McPherson Ill

Revised United States Standard Certificate of Death

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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 neoplasma); *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 "Asthemia," "Anemia" (merely symptomatic), "Atrophy," "Collapse," "Coma," "Convulsions," "Debility" ("Congenital," "Senile," etc.), "Dropsy," "Exhaustion," "Heart failure," "Hemorrhage," "Inanition," "Marasmus," "Old age," "Shock," "Uremia," "Weakness," etc., when a definite disease can be ascertained as the cause. Always qualify all diseases resulting from childbirth or miscarriage, as "PUERPERAL septicemia," "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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ADDITIONAL SPACE FOR FURTHER STATEMENTS
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 County, St. Louis Registration District No. 786 File No. _____
 Township, _____ Primary Registration District No. 4469 Registered No. _____
 City, Maplewood (No. _____) St. _____ Ward _____

2. FULL NAME Carol M. Christophers
 (a) Residence, No. 2625 Arthur Shipperson Ill.
 (Usual place of abode) (If nonresident give city or town and State)
 Length of residence in city or town where death occurred — yrs. — mos. 13 ds. How long in U.S., if of foreign birth? yrs. mos. ds.

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

3. SEX M 4. COLOR OR RACE W 5. SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED OR DIVORCED S
(Give the word)

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

6. DATE OF BIRTH (MONTH, DAY AND YEAR) Aug 16 1907

7. AGE YEARS MONTHS DAYS H LESS than 1 day, _____ hrs. or _____ min.
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8. OCCUPATION OF DECEASED

(a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work schoolboy
 (b) General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which employed (or employer) _____
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9. BIRTHPLACE (CITY OR TOWN) Shipperson Ill.
 (STATE OR COUNTRY)

10. NAME OF FATHER _____

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 (STATE OR COUNTRY)

12. MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER _____

13. BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (CITY OR TOWN) St. Louis
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14. INFORMANT James H. ...
 (Address) _____

15. FILED _____, 19 _____
 REGISTRAR

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

16. DATE OF DEATH (MONTH, DAY AND YEAR) Sept 9 - 19 23

17. I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from 8-27 to 9-9-23 and that I last saw him alive 9-9-23 and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at _____ m.

THE CAUSE OF DEATH* WAS AS FOLLOWS:

diabetes mellitus
 (duration) _____ yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds.
 CONTRIBUTORY (SECONDARY) Conc
 (duration) _____ yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds.

18. WHERE WAS DISEASE CONTRACTED Shipperson Ill.
 IF NOT AT PLACE OF DEATH, _____

DID AN OPERATION PRECEDE DEATH? no DATE OF _____

WAS THERE AN AUTOPSY? no

WHAT TEST CONFIRMED DIAGNOSIS? Urinary test

(Signed) H. S. ... M. D.
 , 19 (Address) 7277 Manchester

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 19 _____

20. UNDERTAKER _____ ADDRESS _____

ALL INFORMATION CALLED FOR MUST BE WRITTEN ON THIS SUPPLEMENTARY.

REGISTRARS SHALL NOT RECEIVE A FEE FOR CERTIFICATES UNTIL THEY ARE COMPLETE AS PRESCRIBED BY LAW.

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