

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

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10351

1. PLACE OF DEATH

County..... Registration District No. 791
 Township..... Primary Registration District No. 1003
 City St. Louis No. 1261 So. 3rd
 St. Ward)

File No.
 Registered No. 3378
 St. Ward)

2. FULL NAME

Virgus Blockston Jr.
 (a) Residence. No. St. 4 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. ds. How long in U.S., if of foreign birth? yrs. mos. ds.

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

3. SEX male 4. COLOR OR RACE Coe's 5. SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED OR DIVORCED (write the word) —

16. DATE OF DEATH (MONTH, DAY AND YEAR) Mar. 29 1925

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

17. I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from March 26, 1925, to Mar 29, 1925, that I last saw him alive on March 29, 1925, and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 7 a. m.

6. DATE OF BIRTH (MONTH, DAY AND YEAR) Nov. 25, 1925

THE CAUSE OF DEATH* WAS AS FOLLOWS:

7. AGE YEARS MONTHS DAYS If LESS than day, hrs. or min. 4 4 — — —

Bronchial Pneumonia

8. OCCUPATION OF DECEASED

(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 —

CONTRIBUTORY (SECONDARY) Mrs. Callie
 (duration) yrs. mos. ds. 2 weeks

9. BIRTHPLACE (CITY OR TOWN) St. Louis
 (STATE OR COUNTRY)

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

10. NAME OF FATHER Virgus Blockston

19. DID AN OPERATION PRECEDE DEATH? No DATE OF

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

WAS THERE AN AUTOPSY? No
 WHAT TEST CONFIRMED DIAGNOSIS? Clinical
 (Signed) J. J. Moore M. D.
3/31, 1925 (Address) 801 2nd Jefferson

12. MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Hester Jones
 (STATE OR COUNTRY) Ala

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

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

14. INFORMANT Hester Blockston
 (Address) 1261 So. Third

19. PLACE OF BURIAL, CREMATION, OR REMOVAL Greenwood DATE OF BURIAL Mar. 31 1925

15. FILED 31 May 6 Starbuck
 19... Registrar

20. UNDERTAKER Harrison McKoin ADDRESS 2906 Lawton

2. ALL OCCASIONS should state Exact statement of OCCUPATION is very important.

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

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PARENTS

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15. FILED 1925 May 6 Starkloff Registrar

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(Signed)....., M. D.
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20. UNDERTAKER ADDRESS

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UNLESS THEY ARE COMPLETE AS PRESCRIBED BY LAW. REGISTRATION SHALL NOT RECEIVE A

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