

1926

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

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File No. _____
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1. PLACE OF DEATH
County Ray Registration District No. 740
Township Crooked River Primary Registration District No. 3973
City _____ (No. _____) St. _____ Ward _____
2. FULL NAME Diedrich A. Witte.
(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. ds. How long in U.S., if of foreign birth? yrs. mos. ds.

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

3 MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

3. SEX Male 4. COLOR OF RACE White 5. SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED OR DIVORCED (write the word) Married
5A. IF MARRIED, WIDOWED, OR DIVORCED, HUSBAND OF (OR) WIFE OF Sophia Witte.
6. DATE OF BIRTH (MONTH, DAY AND YEAR) Jan 23 1888
7. AGE YEARS MONTHS DAYS IF LESS than 1 day, hrs. or min. 18
8. OCCUPATION OF DECEASED (a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work Farming
(b) General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which employed (or employer) _____
(c) Name of employer _____

16. DATE OF DEATH (MONTH, DAY AND YEAR) Nov 15 1926
17. I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from Nov 14 1926, to Nov 15 1926, that I last saw him alive on Nov 15 1926, and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 7 P.M.
THE CAUSE OF DEATH WAS AS FOLLOWS:
Peritonitis
12h
1270
129 (duration) yrs. mos. 2 ds.
CONTRIBUTORY Gall Bladder Infection (SECONDARY)
(duration) 1 yrs. mos. ds.

9. BIRTHPLACE (CITY OR TOWN) (STATE OR COUNTRY) Germany
10. NAME OF FATHER Fredrick Witte
11. BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (CITY OR TOWN) (STATE OR COUNTRY) Germany
12. MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Mary Albers
13. BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (CITY OR TOWN) (STATE OR COUNTRY) Germany

18. WHERE WAS DISEASE CONTRACTED
IF NOT AT PLACE OF DEATH Home
DID AN OPERATION PRECEDE DEATH? No DATE OF _____
WAS THERE AN AUTOPSY? _____
WHAT TEST CONFIRMED DIAGNOSIS? (Signed) Marvin G. Harris, M. D.
, 19 (Address) Hardin, 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.)

14. INFORMANT Fred H. Witte
(Address) Hardin Mo.
15. FILED Dec 17 1926 John W. Knipschild
REGISTRAR

19. PLACE OF BURIAL, CREMATION, OR REMOVAL Norborne Mo. DATE OF BURIAL Nov 17 1926
20. UNDERTAKER John W. Knipschild ADDRESS Hardin Mo.

WRITE PLAINLY, WITH UNFADING INK---THIS IS A PERMANENT RECORD

N. B.—Every item of information should be carefully supplied. AGE should be stated EXACTLY. PHYSICIANS should state CAUSE OF DEATH in plain terms, so that it may be properly classified. Exact statement of OCCUPATION is very important.

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, Composer, 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 *Nons*.

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 neoplasm); *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," "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.)

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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ALL INFORMATION RELAYED
FOR MUST BE WRITTEN ON
THIS SUPPLEMENTARY.

1. PLACE OF DEATH

County Ray Registration District No. 740 File No. _____
 Township Crossed Run Primary Registration District No. 5975 Registered No. 38
 City _____ (No. _____ City _____ St. _____ Ward _____)

2. FULL NAME

Diedrich A. Witte
 (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

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

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

6. DATE OF BIRTH (MONTH, DAY AND YEAR) Jan 23, 1846

7. AGE YEARS MONTHS DAYS If LESS than 1 day, ____ hrs. or ____ min.

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 _____

9. BIRTHPLACE (CITY OR TOWN) _____ (STATE OR COUNTRY) _____

10. NAME OF FATHER _____

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

12. MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER _____

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

14. INFORMANT (Address) _____

15. FILED Dec 10, 1926 Jno. W. Kupschid REGISTRAR

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

16. DATE OF DEATH (MONTH, DAY AND YEAR) Nov 15 1926

17. I HEREBY CERTIFY That I attended deceased from _____, 19____, to _____, 19____, that I last saw him _____ alive on _____, 19____, and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at _____ m.

THE CAUSE OF DEATH WAS AS FOLLOWS:
Septicemia

CONTRIBUTORY (SECONDARY) all bladder infection from Gall Stones
 (duration) _____ yrs. mos. da.

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) Marion Brown, M. D., 19____ (Address) Hardin, 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 _____ DATE OF BURIAL _____

20. UNDERTAKER _____ ADDRESS _____

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