

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

1 PLACE OF DEATH

County Bark  
Township Birds  
or  
Village  
or  
City (NO. St. Ward)

Registration District No. 643 File No. 34262  
Primary Registration District No. 5854 Registered No. 15

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

2 FULL NAME Elsie G. Mayfield

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

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

16 DATE OF DEATH November 25, 1927  
(Month) (Day) (Year)

6 DATE OF BIRTH Nov 24, 1903  
(Month) (Day) (Year)

17 I HEREBY CERTIFY, that I attended deceased from Nov 22, 1927, to Nov 25, 1927, that I last saw her alive on Nov 25, 1927 and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 9 P.M.

7 AGE 23 yrs. 1 mos. 1 ds. If LESS than 1 day, hrs. or min.?

The CAUSE OF DEATH\* was as follows:

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

General Peritonitis following ruptured ovary

9 BIRTHPLACE (City or town, State or foreign country) Bark Co Mo 145A

(Duration) yrs. mos. ds.

10 NAME OF FATHER Sam Martin

CONTRIBUTORY Ruptured ovary (Secondary)

11 BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (City or town, State or foreign country) Bark Co Mo

(Signed) H. E. Pace M. D.

12 MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Ellie Mahou

Nov 25, 1927 (Address) Garnerville Mo

13 BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (City or town, State or foreign country) Bark Co Mo

\*State the Disease Causing Death, or, in deaths from Violent Causes, state (1) Means of Injury; and (2) whether Accidental, Suicidal or Homicidal.

14 THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE (Informant) H. E. Pace (Address) Garnerville Mo

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.

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19 PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL Oakland Cemetery DATE OF BURIAL Nov 26, 1927

20 UNDERTAKER Hiram Hart ADDRESS Garnerville 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*, *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 *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, peritoneum, 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 septicaemia," "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.)



caused by check marks, lacking from the death certificate.

Name: Elsie Taylor

Who died at: Ozark Co. Mo. on Nov. 25, 1927,

Residence: No. \_\_\_\_\_ St. \_\_\_\_\_

(If nonresident, city or town)

Length of residence in city or town where death occurred: Years \_\_\_\_\_ Months 4 Days 21

Sex: Female Color or race: white Single, married, widowed or divorced: Married

Date of birth: November 24, 1904 Age: Years 23 Months \_\_\_\_\_ Days 1

Occupation: (a) Trade House Wife (b) Industry: \_\_\_\_\_

Birthplace (State or country) Missouri 14503

Birthplace of father (State or country) Missouri

Birthplace of mother (State or country) Missouri

CAUSE OF DEATH: General Peritonitis following ruptured Ovary

Contributory: Ruptured Ovary.

Caused by labor pains during confinement

Where was disease contracted? Don't know

Did operation precede death? No. Date of \_\_\_\_\_

Was there an autopsy? No. What test confirmed diagnosis? \_\_\_\_\_

Name of physician: H. E. Pace | R. E. Hague

Address of physician: Lancaster | West Plains Mo

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