

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

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1. PLACE OF DEATH

County Macon
Township Walker
City (No.) St. Ward

Registration District No. 528
Primary Registration District No. 5722A

File No.
Registered No.
St. Ward

2. FULL NAME

Elizabeth Rebecca Wright

(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. SEX female 4. COLOR OR RACE white 5. SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED OR DIVORCED (write the word) widow

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

6. DATE OF BIRTH (MONTH, DAY AND YEAR) Dec 15 1845

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

(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 (CITY OR TOWN) (STATE OR COUNTRY) Arkansas

10. NAME OF FATHER Alfred Belmore

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

12. MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Polly Ford

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

14. INFORMANT (Address) Vina Wright Callas Mrs

15. FILED May 21 1932 W. M. Welch M.D. REGISTRAR

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

16. DATE OF DEATH (MONTH, DAY AND YEAR) May 21 1932

17. I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from May 18 1932 to May 21 1932 that I last saw her alive on May 18 1932, and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 6:15 a.m.

THE CAUSE OF DEATH* WAS AS FOLLOWS:

Chronic myocarditis and Valvular disease

(duration) yrs. mos. ds. CONTRIBUTORY (SECONDARY) arteriosclerosis (duration) yrs. mos. ds.

18. WHERE WAS DISEASE CONTRACTED at home (1) IF NOT AT PLACE OF DEATH

19. DID AN OPERATION PRECEDE DEATH? no DATE OF ... WAS THERE AN AUTOPSY? no

WHAT TEST CONFIRMED DIAGNOSIS? Phys Exam, W. M. Welch (Signed) Callas Mrs. M. D. May 21 1932 (Address)

*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 Old Shoriton DATE OF BURIAL May 22 1932

20. UNDERTAKER E. A. Perry & Son ADDRESS Callas

K. 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.

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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 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 "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 CALLED
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THIS SUPPLEMENTARY.

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

6. DATE OF BIRTH (MONTH, DAY, AND YEAR) Dec 13 - 1845

7. AGE YEARS MONTHS DAYS IF LESS than 1 day, hrs. min.
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8. Trade, profession, or particular kind of work done, as spinner, sawyer, bookkeeper, etc. _____
9. Industry or business in which work was done, as silk mill, saw mill, bank, etc. _____
10. Date deceased last worked at this occupation (month and year) _____ 11. Total time (years) spent in this occupation _____

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

13. NAME _____

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

15. MAIDEN NAME _____

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

17. INFORMANT (ADDRESS) _____

18. BURIAL, CREMATION, OR REMOVAL PLACE DATE

19. UNDERTAKER (ADDRESS) _____

20. FILED May 21 1932 W. W. Wehler Registrar

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

21. DATE OF DEATH (MONTH, DAY, AND YEAR) May 21 1932

22. I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from _____ to _____, 19____

I last saw him alive on _____, 19____. Death is said to have occurred on the date stated above, at _____ m.

The principal cause of death and related causes of importance were as follows:

Date of onset

Other contributory causes of importance:

Name of operation _____ Date of _____

What test confirmed diagnosis? _____ Was there an autopsy? _____

23. If death was due to external causes (violence), fill in also the following: Accident, suicide, or homicide? _____ Date of injury _____, 19____

Where did injury occur? _____ (Specify city or town, county, and State)
Specify whether injury occurred in industry, in home, or in public place.

Manner of injury _____

Nature of injury _____

24. Was disease or injury in any way related to occupation of deceased? _____

If so, specify _____

(Signed) _____, M. D.

(Address) _____

SUPPLEMENTARY

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