

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

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1961

1. PLACE OF DEATH

County Livingston Registration District No. 498
 Township Bucklin Primary Registration District No. 4301
 City Bucklin (No. _____) St. _____ Ward _____

File No. 1
 Registered No. _____

2. FULL NAME

George William Reffett
 (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 5 yrs. mos. ds. How long in U. S., if of foreign birth? yrs. mos. ds.

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

3. SEX <u>male</u>	4. COLOR OR RACE <u>White</u>	5. SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED, OR DIVORCED (write the word) <u>widowed</u>
5A. IF MARRIED, WIDOWED, OR DIVORCED WIFE OR HUSBAND (OR) WIFE OR HUSBAND <u>Mettie Hurst</u>		
6. DATE OF BIRTH (MONTH, DAY, AND YEAR) <u>Oct 14 1889</u>		
7. AGE	YEARS <u>45</u>	MONTHS <u>3</u>
	DAYS <u>1</u>	IF LESS than 1 day, _____ hrs. or _____ min.
OCCUPATION	8. Trade, profession, or particular kind of work done, as spinner, sawyer, bookkeeper, etc. <u>miner</u>	
	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) <u>Jan 1935</u>	11. Total time (years) spent in this occupation <u>30</u>
12. BIRTHPLACE (CITY OR TOWN) (STATE OR COUNTRY) <u>Mendota Mo</u>		
FATHER	13. NAME <u>William Reffett</u>	
	14. BIRTHPLACE (CITY OR TOWN) (STATE OR COUNTRY) <u>Illinois</u>	
MOTHER	15. MAIDEN NAME <u>Mary Clark</u>	
	16. BIRTHPLACE (CITY OR TOWN) (STATE OR COUNTRY) <u>Mo</u>	
17. INFORMANT (ADDRESS) <u>Rosa Cooley Bucklin Mo</u>		
18. BURIAL, CREMATION, OR REMOVAL PLACE <u>Bucklin Mo</u> DATE <u>1-16</u> 19 <u>35</u>		
19. UNDERTAKER (ADDRESS) <u>A. C. Norman Bucklin Mo</u>		
20. FILED <u>1-16</u> 1935 <u>J. L. Cantwell</u> Registrar.		

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

21. DATE OF DEATH (MONTH, DAY, AND YEAR) Jan 15 1935

I HEREBY CERTIFY That I attended deceased from Jan 13 1935 to Jan 15 1935
 I last saw him alive on 15 1935. Death is said to have occurred on the date stated above, at 3:56 p.m.
 The principal cause of death and related causes of importance were as follows:
Fracture of Skull extending from the base to the base of the skull
 Other contributory causes of importance:
ITS
 Name of operation _____ Date of _____
 What test confirmed diagnosis? X-Ray Was there an autopsy? no

23. If death was due to external causes (violence), fill in also the following:
 Accident, suicide, or homicide? _____ Date of injury 1-13 1935
 Where did injury occur? Bucklin Mo
 (Specify city or town, county, and State)
 Specify whether injury occurred in industry, in home, or in public place.
Main Street - Bucklin Mo
 Manner of injury Hit with a Rock
 Nature of injury 16855 J. L. Cantwell M.D.

24. Was disease of injury in any way related to occupation of deceased? no
 If so, specify _____
 (Signed) J. M. Montgomery M. D.
 (Address) Brantford, 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.

ASSAULT ON MINER FATAL.

BUCKLIN, Mo., Jan. 15.—George Reffett, coal miner, found unconscious with a fractured skull in a vacant lot here Sunday morning, died today. A blood-covered brick was found nearby.

Injury Fatal To Geo. Reffett

Geo. Reffett, 45 year old Bucklin coal miner, was found Sunday morning about 9 o'clock just inside of the foundation wall where the Scott home burned sometime ago in North Bucklin, suffering with a fractured skull and exposure. He had evidently been there for some time. He was taken to the office of Dr. Cantwell but died Tuesday morning about 3:50 o'clock. Having been unconscious from the time he was found until his death no information could be learned as to how he was injured. A blood caked brick was found near the head of the injured man and it is supposed that he had been struck several times with it. Dr. McLarney, Linn County Coroner, was called Tuesday morning and held an inquest over the body that afternoon at 2:30 conducted by Prosecuting Attorney Vane C. Thurlo. A number of people were brought in for questioning but no information was gained from any of them as to who caused Reffett's death.

The coroners jury, composed of A. D. Carter, foreman, Dick Moore, W. H. Martin, Homer Browalee, R. P. Nickerson, C. A. Larson, after hearing the evidence brought in, the verdict that Geo. Reffett came to his death through violence by persons unknown.