

FLORIDA STATE BOARD OF HEALTH
BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS

CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

1. PLACE OF DEATH

County _____ District No. _____ State File No. _____
 Precinct _____ Precinct No. _____
(Write name, not number)
 or
 Inc. Town _____ City or Town No. _____ Registered No. _____
 or
 City Lone Star No. Lone Star St., _____ Ward _____
(If death occurred in a hospital or institution, give its NAME instead of street and number)
 Length of residence in city or town where death occurred _____ yrs. _____ mos. 11 ds. How long in U. S. if of foreign birth? _____ yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds.

2. FULL NAME

(a) Residence: No. Lone Star Fla St., _____ Ward _____
(Usual place of abode) (If nonresident, give city or town and State)

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

3. SEX Female 4. COLOR OR RACE Single 5. Single, married, widowed or divorced (write the word)
 5a. If married, widowed or divorced HUSBAND of (or) WIFE of Single
 6. DATE OF BIRTH (month, day and year)
 7. AGE Years Months Days If LESS than 1 day, _____ hrs. or _____ min.
11 days 1928 year 14
 8. Trade, profession, or particular kind of work done, as spinner, sawyer, bookkeeper, etc. None
 9. Industry or business in which work was done, as silk mill, sawmill, 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) Lone Star Fla
 13. NAME Usham Polke
 14. BIRTHPLACE (city or town) (State or country) Sumpter Fla
 15. MAIDEN NAME Olivia Britton
 16. BIRTHPLACE (city or town) (State or country) Lone Star Fla
 17. INFORMANT (Address) Usham Polke Lone Star Fla
 18. BURIAL, CREMATION, OR REMOVAL Place _____ Date _____ 19 _____
 19. UNDERTAKER (Address)
 20. FILED _____ 19 _____
 Local Registrar.

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

21. DATE OF DEATH (month, day, and year) 1/25/38
 22. I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from _____, 19____, to _____, 19____
 I last saw h_____ alive on _____, 19____, death is said to have occurred on the date stated above, at 8:30 a.m.
 The principal cause of death and related causes of importance in order of onset were as follows:
 Date of onset _____
 Contributory causes of importance not related to principal cause:
 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) _____

MARGIN RESERVED FOR BINDING

N. B.—WRITE PLAINLY, WITH UNFADING INK—THIS IS A PERMANENT RECORD. 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. See instructions on back of certificate.

UNITED STATES STANDARD CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

Statement of occupation.—Precise statement of occupation is very important, so that the relative healthfulness of various pursuits can be known. Make some entry in this section for every person aged 10 years or over. If the occupation had been given up or changed on account of the disease causing death, report the occupation prior to illness. If the deceased had retired from business, report the occupation prior to retirement. Children not gainfully employed may be returned as *at school* or *at home*. For a woman whose only occupation was that of home housework, write *housework* in answer to Question 8 and *own home* in answer to Question 9. For a person engaged in domestic service for wages, however, designate the occupation by the appropriate terms, as *housekeeper—private family*, *cook—hotel*, etc. For a person who had no occupation whatever write *none*.

To be complete, an occupation return must state:

- 8.—The trade, profession, or particular kind of work done.
- 9.—The industry or business in which the work was done.
- 10.—The month and year the deceased last worked at the occupation.
- 11.—The number of years the deceased followed the occupation.

In stating the occupation, avoid the use of such indefinite terms as "employee," "worker," "operative," etc. Find out the particular kind of work done and return that, as *spinner*, *weaver*, etc.

In stating the industry or business, avoid the use of such general terms as "store," "factory," "mill," etc. State the particular kind of store, factory, mill, etc., as *grocery store*, *soap factory*, *cotton mill*, etc.

Distinguish carefully the different kinds of engineers by stating the full descriptive titles, as *civil engineer*, *mechanical engineer*, *mining engineer*, *stationary engineer*, etc. Avoid the term "laborer" when a more precise statement of the occupation can be secured. Do not use the word "mechanic," but give the exact occupation, as *carpenter*, *painter*, *machinist*, etc. Distinguish carefully between *retail merchants* and *wholesale merchants*. A person who sells goods should be called a *salesman* and not a *clerk*.

Statement of cause of death.—Cause of death means the disease, injury, or complication which causes death, *not* the mode of dying, *e. g.*, heart failure, asphyxia, asthenia, etc. As principal cause name the disease or injury causing death. As related causes, name earlier morbid conditions, if any, related to the principal cause and any important complication of the principal cause. Under contributory causes of importance not related to principal cause, name other important diseases or injuries. Examples:

Example I		Example II	
The principal cause of death and related causes of importance in order of onset were as follows:	Date of onset	The principal cause of death and related causes of importance in order of onset were as follows:	Date of onset
<i>Arteriosclerosis</i>	<i>1915</i>	<i>Attack of epilepsy</i>	<i>1 week ago</i>
<i>Chronic interstitial nephritis</i>	<i>1921</i>	<i>Run over by street car</i>	<i>1 week ago</i>
<i>Cerebral hemorrhage</i>	<i>July 5, 1927</i>	<i>Peritonitis</i>	<i>3 days ago</i>
Contributory causes of importance not related to principal cause:		Contributory causes of importance not related to principal cause:	
<i>Fracture of arm</i>		<i>Influenza</i>	<i>6 weeks ago</i>
<i>Automobile accident</i>	<i>May 3, 1927</i>		

In a group of causes containing the principal cause and related causes, the causes should be given in the order of onset, so that in a group of three causes the principal cause may appear in either first, second, or third position. The principal cause in each of the above examples happens to be the second cause given.

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