

FLORIDA STATE BOARD OF HEALTH  
BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS

CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

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1. PLACE OF DEATH

County *Dumas*  
Precinct \_\_\_\_\_  
(Write name, not number)  
or  
Inc. Town \_\_\_\_\_  
or  
City *Lawton*

District No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Precinct No. \_\_\_\_\_  
City or Town No. \_\_\_\_\_  
No. *1277 W. Thomas* St., \_\_\_\_\_ Ward

State File No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Registered No. \_\_\_\_\_

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.

2. FULL NAME

*Benjamin P. Phillips Jr.*  
(a) Residence: No. *1277 W. Thomas* St., \_\_\_\_\_ Ward  
(Usual place of abode) (If nonresident, give city or town and State)

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

3. SEX <i>Male</i>	4. COLOR OR RACE <i>Col</i>	5. Single, married, widowed or divorced (write the word) <i>Single</i>		
5a. If married, widowed or divorced HUSBAND of (or) WIFE of _____				
6. DATE OF BIRTH (month, day and year) _____				
7. AGE	Years <i>20</i>	Months _____	Days _____	If LESS than 1 day, _____ hrs. or _____ min.
OCCUPATION	8. Trade, profession, or particular kind of work done, as spinner, sawyer, hookkeeper, etc. <i>Delivery Boy</i>			
	9. Industry or business in which work was done, as silk mill, sawmill, bank, etc. <i>Grocery Store</i>			
	10. Date deceased last worked at this occupation (month and year) _____			
11. Total time (years) spent in this occupation _____				

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

21. DATE OF DEATH (month, day, and year) *Sept 18, 1907*  
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 \_\_\_\_\_ m.

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

*T.B. Peritonitis*  
Date of onset \_\_\_\_\_  
*T.B. Left Lung*

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) \_\_\_\_\_

12. BIRTHPLACE (city or town) \_\_\_\_\_ (State or country)

MOTHER FATHER  
13. NAME *Ben Phillips*  
14. BIRTHPLACE (city or town) \_\_\_\_\_ (State or country)  
15. MAIDEN NAME *Frances Alexander*  
16. BIRTHPLACE (city or town) \_\_\_\_\_ (State or country)

17. INFORMANT (Address) *1775 W. Thomas St.*

18. BURIAL, CREMATION, OR REMOVAL *Placed in Herman Cem. Sept 23, 1907*

19. UNDERTAKER (Address) *607 W. State St.*

20. FILED \_\_\_\_\_ 19\_\_\_\_ Local Registrar.

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

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>Chronic interstitial nephritis</i>	<i>1921</i>
<i>Cerebral hemorrhage</i>	<i>July 5, 1927</i>
<b>Contributory causes of importance not related to principal cause:</b>	
<i>Fracture of arm</i>	
<i>Automobile accident</i>	<i>May 3, 1927</i>

Example II

The principal cause of death and related causes of importance in order of onset were as follows:	Date of onset
<i>Attack of epilepsy</i>	<i>1 week ago</i>
<i>Run over by street car</i>	<i>1 week ago</i>
<i>Peritonitis</i>	<i>3 days ago</i>
<b>Contributory causes of importance not related to principal cause:</b>	
<i>Influenza</i>	<i>6 weeks ago</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.

Sister Mrs. Alice M. (Washington) 2 counts Mrs. Susan  
 McElroy, of Joe, Mrs. Josephine M. Eugene Lyons  
 nurse, of 6th St. 1 count Mrs. Alice M. (Washington)  
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