Historical Context:

This is a Standard Certificate of Death from the State of Illinois, Department of Public Health - Division of Vital Statistics. It serves as the official, legal record of a death. This specific document is a certified copy issued by the County Clerk of Madison County, stamped "FOR GENEALOGICAL PURPOSES ONLY." It records the brief life and death of an unnamed infant boy born to Croatian immigrants Pete Mihalich and Anna Zar in Wood River, Illinois, in 1931. The document provides crucial genealogical information, including the parents' names, their country of origin, and the infant's date and place of birth, death, and burial.

Details Mentioned:

Principal Individual:

- **Name:** Infant of Mr. & Mrs. Pete Mihalich
- **Role in Document:** Deceased
- **Sex:** Male
- **Race:** White
- **Marital Status:** Single
- **Birth:** June 29, 1931, in Wood River, Illinois
- **Death:** June 29, 1931, in Wood River, Illinois
- **Cause of Death:** Premature Birth
- **Age:** 2 minutes
- **Burial:** June 29, 1931, at St. Joseph Cemetery, Alton, Madison County, Illinois

Parents:

- **Father:** Pete Mihalich
  - **Birthplace:** Croatia
  - **Role:** Father and Informant
  - **Residence:** Wood River, Illinois
- **Mother:** Anna Zar
  - **Birthplace:** Croatia
  - **Role:** Mother

Associated Individuals:

- **W. C. Barton, M.D.:** Attending Physician, Wood River, Illinois
- **O. J. Gauen:** Registrar, Wood River, Illinois
- **Paul H. Streeper (Streeper & Son):** Undertaker, Alton, Illinois

Key Findings:

This document is a 1931 death certificate for an unnamed infant boy born to Pete Mihalich and Anna Zar in Wood River, Madison County, Illinois. The infant lived for only two minutes, dying of premature birth on June 29, 1931. The record is significant as it identifies the parents as immigrants from Croatia and provides the burial location at St. Joseph Cemetery in Alton, Illinois.

Full Text Transcription:

STATE OF ILLINOIS Department of Public Health - Division of Vital Statistics STANDARD CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

COUNTY CLERK'S RECORD

1. PLACE OF DEATH County of Madison Registration Dist. No. 616 Township Road Dist. Village City Wood River Primary Dist. No. 5121

Registered No. 31 (Consecutive No.)

22550

2. FULL NAME Infant of Mr & Mrs Pete Mihalich

(a) Residence No. St., Ward, (Usual place of abode)

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 M
4. COLOR OR RACE W
5. SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED, or DIVORCED (Write the word) Single

5a. If Married, widowed or divorced HUSBAND of (or) WIFE of

6. DATE OF BIRTH June 29, 1931 (Month) (Day) (Year)
7. AGE Years Months Days If LESS than 1 day hrs. OR 2 min.?
8. OCCUPATION OF DECEASED (a) Trade, profession or particular kind of work None (b) General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which employed (or employer) (c) Name of employer
9. BIRTHPLACE (city or town) Wood River (State or Country) Ill

PARENTS 10. NAME OF FATHER Pete Mihalich

11. BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (City or Town) Croatia (State or Country)
12. MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Anna Zar
13. BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (City or Town) Croatia (State or Country)
14. INFORMANT Pete Mihalich (Personal signature with pen and ink) (P.O. Address) Wood River
15. Filed June 29, 1931 O. J. Gauen Registrar. P.O. Address Wood River Ill.

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

16. DATE OF DEATH June 29, 1931 (Month) (Day) (Year)
17. I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from June 29, 1931, to June 29, 1931 that I last saw h alive on June 29, 1931 and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at THE CAUSE OF DEATH was as follows: Premature Birth (Duration) yrs. mos. ds.

Contributory (Secondary) (Duration) yrs. mos. ds.

18. Where was disease contracted, if not at place of death? Was an operation performed? No Date of For what disease or injury? Was there an autopsy? No What test confirmed diagnosis? (Signed) W. C. Barton M.D. Address Wood River Date June 29, 1931 Telephone 208
19. PLACE OF BURIAL, Cremation or Removal St. Joseph Cemetery Location Alton (Township, Road Dist., Village or City) County Madison State Ill
20. DATE June 29, 1931
21. UNDERTAKER Paul H. Streeper Streeper & Son (firm name, if any)