Cemetery Worker Safety Fatality File

Cemetery Worker Killed In Mount Sinai

MOUNT SINAI, NY – A fatal accident news report posted on wpdh.com states that a New York man was tragically killed after a grave the man was excavating at a cemetery collapsed on top of him. The fatal accident occurred in the morning at around 8:30 am. The fatal incident is under investigation, and there were few details available. According to the online news report, the worker was buried alive when mounds of dirt collapsed onto him.

Law enforcement investigators stated that the 42-year-old man from Coram, New York, was trying to level out the foundation of the gravesite inside the Washington Memorial Park in Mount Sinai. Tragically, law enforcement officials stated that the man's coworkers were unsuccessful in their attempts to dig the victim out of the collapsed gravesite.

According to the news report, the worker was buried in a gravesite that was over seven feet deep. According to law enforcement officers, emergency crews dispatched to the accident rushed to the scene, but the victim was already deceased. In workplace accidents, additional governmental agencies will often conduct a separate investigation. Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) is likely to conduct an accident investigation to determine causation and help devise strategies to prevent these types of accidents in the future.