

One miner dies in cave-in

SYLVESTER, W.Va. (AP) — One miner was killed in a massive roof fall but another was rescued after being buried under debris for two hours at Elk Run Coal Co.'s Black Queen mine near here, state officials said today.

Kenneth Wayne Scarbrough, 36, of Arnett in Boone County, was killed when the mine roof collapsed about 1:45 p.m. Thursday, said Linda Estep, a spokeswoman in the state Department of Mines. Scarbrough was an assistant mine foreman with 14 years experience, she said.

Ms. Estep said a foreman working alongside

Scarbrough was buried under the fallen rock, but rescue crews reached him after about two hours and he was unhurt. The Department of Mines didn't release his name, but Elk Run spokeswoman Alice Palmer identified him as John Varney.

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1983 John Varney rescued from roof fall in Black Queen mine



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