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Quarry filled widow with dread

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SPOKANE — Nadine Grace worried that something bad was going to happen to her husband, Tim, working five days a week at a gravel quarry near Wenatchee.

“I said to him, ‘I never know whether you’re going to come back Friday in one piece.’ I would have a little breakdown every Sunday when he left,” Mrs. Grace recalled.

“He knew and I knew something was going to happen.”

Last Friday, it did.

Grace, 28, a foreman for Lloyd Logging of Twisp, died in a huge rockslide at the quarry. His body was recovered Sunday.

A coworker’s 5-year-old son

also was killed in the rockslide on U.S. 97A.

The U.S. Mine Safety and Health Administration will work into next week inspecting the site and trying to pin down the cause of the slide, said Garry Day, a spokesman for the agency in Vacaville, Calif.

Grace, who lived in Colbert north of Spokane, worked for Lloyd Logging for five years. But he didn’t like leaving his family and had started to look for a job in Spokane, Mrs. Grace said.

The couple had a 3-year-old daughter, Danielle, along with Mrs. Grace’s daughter from a previous marriage, Tasha Schliebe, 5.