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## Co Down man who died in workplace accident at Warrenpoint Port was an 'amazing character'



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A father-of-three who died in a workplace accident at Warrenpoint Port was last described as an "amazing character".

Kevin McGeough (59) from Rostrevor lost his life after reportedly being crushed by a piece of machinery on Thursday.

Tributes have been paid to Mr McGeough, who was well-known and "very highly respected" in his local community.

Mr McGeough, who is understood to have worked at the port for several decades, is believed to have been crushed by a moving loading shovel. The exact circumstances of his death have not yet been released.

The Health and Safety Executive are investigating the circumstances of his death.

Many tributes have been posted on social media to Mr McGeough, with many describing their devastation at his passing.

A niece wrote: "Rest in peace Uncle Kevin - an amazing character tragically taken from us".

St Bronagh's GAA Club in Rostrevor also said it was "with great shock and sadness we learned of the untimely passing of Kevin".

"Kevin was a volunteer in the social club for many years working behind the bar - we would like to express our sincere condolences and deepest sympathies to Kevin's family and to his work colleagues at an extremely sad time for all," it said.

Independent councillor Mark Gibbons said: "I have had the pleasure of serving Kevin in my place of work on a regular basis over the last 10 years, and he was always an absolute gentleman.

"Kevin was also extremely hard-working and a devoted family man who was very highly respected in the local area."

Another tribute described Mr McGeough as "a gentleman".

Requiem Mass for Mr McGeough will be celebrated at St Mary's Star of the Sea Church, Rostrevor at 11am followed by interment afterwards in Kilbroney Cemetery.

Mr McGeough is survived by his wife Patricia, children Kevin, John and Gerardine and family circle.