State Police Investigating Agricultural Accident in Bridgeville

The Delaware State Police is investigating an agricultural accident that occurred Friday in Bridgeville that left one man dead.

On April 10, 2026, at approximately 4:50 p.m., the Bridgeville Fire Company along with mutual aid fire companies, and the Delaware State Police, responded to Evans Farms, located at 12696 Redden Road in Bridgeville, for a report of two men trapped in a grain tank. When fire and rescue crews arrived, they confirmed that two men were trapped, requested additional rescue resources, and began working to remove them. After lengthy rescue efforts by crews from Delaware and Maryland, a 20-year-old man from Bridgeville, Delaware, was removed from the grain tank and taken to an area hospital with non-life-threatening injuries. The second person, a 66-year-old man from Bridgeville, Delaware, was ultimately located and pronounced dead at the scene. His name is being withheld until his family is notified.

Due to the nature of the incident, Delaware State Police Troop 4 Criminal Investigations Unit assumed the investigation. The preliminary investigation revealed that the two men entered the grain tank to loosen an auger that had become clogged with corn. While in the tank, the two men became stuck, and corn from a higher level in the tank slid onto them, trapping them in the corn.

If you or someone you know is a victim or witness of a crime, or you have lost a loved one to a sudden death and need assistance, the Delaware State Police Victim Services Unit

/ Delaware Victim Center is available to offer you support and resources 24 hours a day through a toll-free hotline at 1-800-VICTIM-1 (800-842-8461). You may also email the Victim Services Unit at DSP_VictimServicesMail@delaware.gov.