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## Grateful Moraga Couple Applauds MOFD Response

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Tom and Millicent McCormack Photo Andy? Scheck

their face seems counterintuitive. Convincing the patient to allow the intrusion of that mask is often a stressful aspect of the emergency call, according to firefighter-paramedic Dave Iman.

The crew bundled up the patient and carried him into the ambulance and drove him to Kaiser Medical Center in Walnut Creek, where he spent two days in the intensive care unit before he was released.

"The MOFD crew knew what they were doing. The Kaiser doctor said that the crew saved my husband's life with the use of that mask," said McCormack.

"I can't say if we saved his life, but with the mask the patient was definitely better off," said firefighter-paramedic Andrew Leach.

McCormack says: "We're all in the 'departure lounge' of life. None of us know whose plane is taking off first. I'm just grateful to God that I still have my Tom."

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