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Contact: Debbie Abraham

Mrs Abraham is the wife of the pilot.

Her husband likes to fly at least once a week to maintain currency. He often flies to interesting locations, spends the night, and returns the following day.

The day before the accident he flew from his home base of Phoenix Deer Valley Airport to play golf in the Camarillo area, and the accident flight was to be the return trip. She is not sure where he stayed that night, possibly in the Country Club of the golf range. He called her at 0600 on the day of the accident and told her that he would delay the departure because of cloudy weather.

The trip was typical of his usual routine, and it was normal for him to travel for golf.

He had no appointments, meetings, or any other compelling reason to get back that day.

He has flown in instrument conditions many times before. She recalled that he had recounted a trip in such conditions in the Alameda, CA about February of this year.

She has flown with him on multiple occasions. He does not panic in an emergency, and wherever he flies he constantly scans for emergency landing locations. He will intervene when there are problems, for instance he was flying in another friend's airplane to Mojave, and the friend was not maintaining airspeed appropriately, so he took the airplane controls and landed instead.

There were recent issues with the accident airplane because the wrong fuel pump had been installed, and the airplane was "hiccupping".

Regarding health, he is very active, and has not complained of any heart-related issues since his surgery. He has a heart monitor that will automatically notify doctors if there are any medical issues. There have been none since his surgery.