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Beverly Dixon was scheduled to have gallbladder surgery on Tuesday, May 20, at 11:30 a.m. Her husband, Rex A. Dixon planned to take her to **O'Bleness Memorial Hospital**. After surgery, he would drive her home. But at 6 a.m. Tuesday, Rex was having a severe kidney stone attack. "We both got ready and I drove him to O'Bleness' Emergency Department," said Beverly. Beverly had to leave Rex in the hospital's emergency room so she could

get registered and go to her scheduled outpatient surgery with general surgeon Neal J. Nesbitt, MD.

While Beverly was in the Outpatient pre-surgery holding area, Rex was also brought in. He had to have emergency kidney stone surgery performed by urologic surgeon Seymour S. Kilstein, DO.

Between 11 a.m. and 11:30 a.m., Beverly and Rex had their surgeries performed — both returned to the surgery recovery area at approximately the same time. They were moved together to an extended outpatient room that has two patient beds.

"I couldn't understand why we were getting strange looks when people passed by

our room," Beverly said. "It finally dawned on us that this is not the norm to have a man and a woman in the same room. Who would have guessed that we were husband and wife and were both recovering from surgery!"

"We get to go home today and recuperate together," said Rex. "We could not have had better care and our surgeries went very well. This is an experience we will share for many years to come."

Beverly and Rex have a home in Stewart, Ohio. Beverly is a stylist at Attractions Styling Salon in Athens and Rex works as a housekeeper at Ohio University in Athens.



Urologic surgeon Seymour S. Kilstein, DO, left, and general surgeon Neal J. Nesbitt, MD, far right, pose with their patients Rex A. and Beverly Dixon at O'Bleness Memorial Hospital after their recent same day surgeries.