

**“YOUR FIGHT IS OUR FIGHT” T-SHIRTS BEING SOLD TO SUPPORT LOCAL FIREFIGHTER/PARAMEDIC
ANTHONY “PAGS” PAGLIARO**



“Believe 271,” the organization whose mission is to support local first responders diagnosed with cancer and other life-threatening illnesses, together with **Upstate Thread** are asking the community to come together in support of a local firefighter, paramedic and Schuyler resident, Anthony "Pags" Pagliaro, who is in the midst of an ongoing battle with cancer.

In February 2014, "Pags" Pagliaro received the news that all families pray not to hear. He was diagnosed with Stage 3 Colon Cancer that has since spread throughout his body.

Pags is a man dedicated to his community. Immediately following his graduation from Proctor High School, he began working in Emergency Medicine. He has been employed at Kunkel Ambulance for 15+ years as a Paramedic/Supervisor. Pags is also a member of both the Schuyler Volunteer Fire Company and Schuyler Ambulance, where he serves as the Director of Operations. Anthony has done nothing but serve others and put others first. He has mentored countless people, and never hesitates to help. As a community, it is time we come together to put him first. The strength that his wife, Nicole — along with their three children, Alexis, Antonio, and Kylie — have demonstrated throughout this grueling process is nothing short of admirable. **Upstate Thread** is selling apparel in honor of Pags.

The front of the shirt shows the *EMS Star of Life*, with his Kunkel Medic Number 113, as well as a Maltese cross with his Schuyler Unit number 25. The back of the shirt has a quote that has been the slogan we have had throughout Pag's battle, *"Your Fight is Our Fight."* Shirts are available a variety of sizes ranging from youth to adult, and a selection of short sleeve, long sleeve or hoodie styles, with a color choice of red or navy.

Upstate Thread is owned by Mark Nicoletta, Jr. and Matthew Robertello. Both are Firefighter/Paramedics in the area whom Pags has personally mentored. We are donating the proceeds from this sale to Anthony, Nicole, and their family to help them with whatever it may be. We look forward to seeing everyone pull together for the Pagliaro during this difficult time!