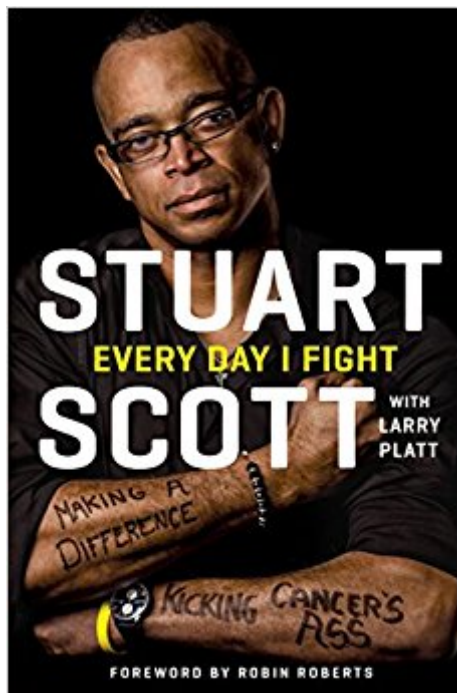




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Every Day I Fight: Making A Difference, Kicking Cancer's Ass



Synopsis

“When you die, it does not mean that you lose to cancer. You beat cancer by how you live, why you live, and the manner in which you live.”

Stuart Scott The fearless, intimate, and inspiring story behind ESPN anchor Stuart Scott’s unrelenting fight against cancer, with a foreword by Robin Roberts. Shortly before he passed away, on January 4, 2015, Stuart Scott completed work on this memoir. It was both a labor of love and a love letter to life itself. Not only did Stuart relate his personal story • his childhood in North Carolina, his supportive family, his athletic escapades, his on-the-job training as a fledgling sportscaster, his being hired and eventual triumphs at ESPN • he shared his intimate struggles to keep his story going. Struck by appendiceal cancer in 2007, Stuart battled this rare disease with an unimaginable tenacity and vigor. Countless surgeries, enervating chemotherapies, endless shuttling from home to hospital to office and back • Stuart continued defying fate, pushing himself through exercises and workout routines that kept him strong. He wanted to be there for his teenage daughters, Sydni and Taelor, not simply as their dad, but as an immutable example of determination and courage. Every Day I Fight is a saga of love, an inspiration to us all.

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“In his posthumously released memoir, Every Day I Fight, the ESPN anchor chronicles the battle with cancer that ultimately claimed his life but never took his spirit. The most poignant takeaway of Scott’s battle: Having cancer didn’t make him a fighter. He was a

fighter long before cancer, so trying to stay alive was natural, not extraordinary.

—Stephen A. Crockett, Jr., *TheRoot.com* "Scott's candor and combative energy are what drives his story...Being a conscientious journalist, Scott diligently, unsparingly reports on what was going on inside his head and in his personal life through treatment, remission and the return of the disease. In recounting every mood swing, every surge of hope and dread, he is imparting a lesson to his daughters, Taelor and Sydni—and to us: 'I want them to take every note of every moment and to make them count.'"—*USA Today* "After a seven-year struggle with cancer, Scott, an ESPN SportsCenter anchor and commentator who died in January, wrote this memoir with Platt (*Only the Strong Survived*) with the same out-of-the-box energy that he brought to his shows... Baring his soul and not backing down, Scott reveals his physical and psychological pain, writing that he knew he needed to be strong because he 'wanted to walk Taelor and Sydni down the aisle.'... Scott taught his daughters that 'life consists of two dates with a dash in between,' and judging by this inspirational narrative, Scott has made that dash significant."—*Publisher's Weekly* (starred review) "A memorable, joyful ode to a life well-lived and well-loved. As Scott would say: 'Booyah.'"—*Marilyn Dahl, Shelf Awareness* "Scott writes about illness and loss with a relentless energy that makes this the happiest sad book I can recall. The book is a lot like Scott on television—over the top, irresistibly sincere. He has not produced a standard strength-through-adversity tale. 'Trust me,' he says to the people praising his fortitude after his illness became public, 'I ain't courageous. I just don't want to die.' And there are two simple reasons Scott did not want to die: his young daughters, Taelor and Sydni. 'Every Day I Fight,' which Scott wrote with journalist Larry Platt, is the only possible title for this book. That's because fighting—for safety, for fun, for team, for family, for life—was a big part of being Stuart Scott. Scott's unforgettable phraseology crosses over into his experience with cancer. Stuart Scott was loving and he was loved, and then he was gone. But in these pages, this loudest of voices reveals the quiet dignity of his fight."—*Carlos Lozada, The Washington Post* "An uplifting read. The power of Scott's memoir is that it invites readers to think about how to handle the inevitable, either as a patient or a patient's friend or loved one. Scott wanted to leave something behind for his daughters about his life and struggle. He ended up leaving something of value for all of us."—*Neil Best, Newsday* (Long Island, NY) "In *Every Day I Fight*, ESPN anchor Stuart Scott's posthumous memoir, his voice is as distinctive and memorable as it ever was on-air."—*Sherryl Connelly, New York Daily*

News" There's a lot of pain and sadness within the covers of this book, but there's inspiration and humor, too. To the very end, Scott was, as he would say, "cooler than the other side of the pillow."

•Booklist "If you get that dire diagnosis, I hope by seeing Stu in action, that it will take away some of the anxiety that you can't live your life, that you can't work out, that you can't work. And seeing him thriving—not surviving, but thriving—I think people will take that and apply it to whatever it is that they are faced with."

•Robin Roberts "There are a lot of people who see [Scott] as a beacon of light, and something that they can relate to....I hear from people every day. He's on TV and he's doing what he loves. They take strength from the fact that he has not been paralyzed by his illness and that he has decided to live life on his own terms."

•Doug Ulman, president and CEO of the Livestrong Foundation "I thought I knew what tough was. But, in his battle with cancer, Stuart Scott is the strongest person I know. The courage he shows in Every Day I Fight will inspire you, as he has inspired me."

•Charles Barkley "I've known Stuart Scott since we were undergrads at UNC and I watched him become a groundbreaking sportscaster. But Every Day I Fight shows his greatest accomplishment: as a dad, who fights for his daughters every day. As a journalist, a dad and a cancer fighter, there's no quit in Stuart."

•Michael Jordan

Stuart Scott was an anchor and commentator for ESPN's SportsCenter. He was the lead host for the NBA on ESPN and ABC, as well as a host on Monday Night Football since that program moved to ESPN in 2006. His unique style and vocabulary made him one of the network's most popular and recognized anchors. He won the Jimmy V Award for Perseverance at the 2014 ESPY Awards. He died in January 2015.

Was always a fan of Stuart Scott though I was unaware of his battle with cancer until close to the end of his life. The book does go into detail about his battle with the disease, but also chronicles his entire life. It is an enjoyable read in relation to his career and family. It is heartbreaking in relation to his battle with cancer. If you have known anyone fighting cancer, this book will give you a better understanding of some of their internal thoughts and fears.

I wasn't a huge Stuart Scott fan...until now. It was my loss not watching more of him on ESPN, but Every Day I Fight is a great tribute to how lived life. Just about everyone deals with some form of cancer either themselves or a loved one. This book can help you understand what the patient is going through.

I'm a huge fan of Stuart Scott. He was extremely influential on my generation with sports entertainment. Reading his story is very touching and hits home with my own father. He is an inspiration to anyone involved with the fight against cancer. Personally, I would consider this a must-read.

I am not a sports fan at all, but an avid reader. This book was recommended by a friend and she told me "just try to read this book and your life will be changed forever." She was correct because I enjoyed every page of this book and feel like I know Stuart Scott and felt the love of his life and the legacy that he leaves behind. I even went on YouTube shortly after reading the entire book and watched some of his work. He was a man who exudes humility, an ability to love on purpose, family first, and the desire to fight for his life as well as others. Thank you Mr. Scott for sharing your journey!

Cancer is indeed a killer. No one survives. Remission, sure but beating it, not yet, hopefully someday. However, between now and then, just like Jimmy V stated, never give up! Stuart, like Jimmy, is a beautiful example of never giving up; of fighting for what matters; living here and now, the present; enjoying those who matter most in our own life; cherishing every moment more than you did before the diagnosis. The air is sweeter, the grass greener, clouds whiter, everything, no matter how small is not insignificant. After the diagnosis, it is a whole new world!

I have been at war with pancreatic cancer for little over a year. This is my second rodeo with cancer after having a different rare form 15 years ago. Some of the things Stuart described his body had gone through with things that I felt and feel and deal with directly every day. What an inspiration! If I thought the ESPY speech was something the book just tops it all to get the inside information much love and respect to his family and friends for being there when he couldn't Kathleen Hoskins Smith ksmith@triad.rr.com

Fantastic read. The last chapter was the hardest. It took me about an hour to get thru it. I was reading it pool side on vacation and could not keep myself from crying. It's a moving book, I encourage you to read it and then pass it along to let others be moved too.

Takes you on a highly emotional journey. Totally open and honest detail of Stuart's battle. Heart felt

and heart breaking.

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