



Jonathan Daige

Jonathan is a 2001 graduate of Leicester High School. The events of September 11, 2001 inspired him to join the Army reserves and in 2003 he served in Iraq for 10 months. Again in 2005 Jonathan returned to Iraq. At the end of 2006 he was appointed to the Worcester Police Department.

In 2013 he was diagnosed with testicular cancer. After surgery and remaining cancer free for six months, he began to experience signs and symptoms and it was evident that the cancer had spread to his brain and lungs. Weeks later he had brain surgery, radiation, 30% of his right lung was removed, and 10% of his left lung was removed.

After all this, he went on to ride the Pan Mass challenge in 2015 to raise money for cancer research. He then started his own nonprofit organization called Thin Blue Ride. Each year he rides the Pan Mass challenge to raise money which goes to his oncologist, Dr. Sweeney, at Dana-Farber who undoubtedly saved his life. 100% of the money is used by Dr. Sweeney for cancer research. Funds raised by Jonathan and Thin Blue Ride also support cancer patients and their families.