Stars: Just Like Us, They’re Fighting Cancer Too

Toby Keith, Robin Roberts, Jeff Bridges and more share their cancer stories.

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Fame doesn’t prevent cancer. But celebrities who share their cancer stories can help educate, raise awareness and reduce stigma. These boldfaced names are some recent examples:

Jeff BridgesJoe Seer/Shutterstock.com

- Currently starring in the TV series The Old Man, Jeff Bridges faced an unexpected challenge

after being treated for non-Hodgkin lymphoma in 2020. “My chemo stripped me of all my immune system, sothen I got COVID on top of that, and it wiped me out. That made my cancer look like nothing,” he recently told Entertainment Weekly, adding that his cancer is in remission and he is “feeling good.”

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- In June, country music icon Toby Keith posted the following message on social media: “Last fall I

was diagnosed with stomach cancer. I've spent the last 6 months receiving chemo, radiation and surgery. So far, so good. I need time to breathe, recover and relax.... But I will see the fans sooner than later." About a month later, "Team Toby" warned fans about impostors professing to be the singer, posting false health updates and requesting money.



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- Jared Kushner, the son-in-law of former President Donald Trump and a senior White House adviser in that administration, revealed in a memoir that he was diagnosed with thyroid cancer in October 2019 and had surgery to remove part of the gland. "This was a personal problem,"

he wrote in the book, “and not for public consumption.”

Robin Roberts lev radin/Shutterstock.com

- Good Morning America co-anchor Robin Roberts shared her breast cancer diagnosis in 2007. Today, she’s cancer-free, but now her partner, Amber Laign, battles the same illness. “She and I have been together almost 17 years and have helped each other through our challenges, like my journey with cancer,” Roberts said in one of her regular video posts. “It’s my turn now to be there for her like she was for me.”

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