



Overpowering may be the most appropriate term for 1976 Seneca grad, Rick Wright. Opposing football coaches throughout Erie County geared their entire game strategy around him. Even when the defense knew Rick was going to be handed the ball, he would punish the oncoming tackler each and every time, popping right back up after every play, ready to deliver another blow to the next unsuspecting defensive player. Rick was never satisfied with just being an overwhelming player on offense, so he added his skills to the other side of the ball as a middle linebacker. Rick was an all-around athlete as he was on the wrestling and baseball teams for Seneca. Rick was chosen to play in the 1976 Erie County all star football game. After high school Rick participated in several local leagues including flag football, and softball and went on to coach softball and Little League baseball. In his senior year, number 48 that Rick proudly wore was retired for all time, by the Wattsburg School Board. Rick stayed around the Erie area working at G.E. until retiring and enjoyed the outdoors with his wife Staci and their daughters Jenna and Haylee. Sadly, Rick passed away on April 18 of 2022 after a long battle with cancer.