



**Florida Home Builders Association  
Builder of the Year**

The Builder of the Year Award recognizes a leader in the industry who continuously exhibits best practices, phenomenal leadership qualities, and expertise in the field. The Builder of the Year is selected annually by the FHBA Past Second Vice Presidents' Council, announced during the Summer Conference/SEBC and presented during the Fall Leadership Conference. Application forms are available at [www.fhba.com](http://www.fhba.com).

2019	<b>Thomas "TJ" Thornberry</b> , Punta Gorda	1995	<b>Sam Morrow*</b>
2018	<b>Jerry Linder</b> , Tallahassee	1994	<b>Barry Rutenberg</b> , Gainesville
2017	<b>Ronnie Kirchman, II</b> , Stuart	1993	<b>Marc Boney</b> , Highland City
2016	<b>Lee Arsenault</b> , Jacksonville	1992	<b>George Rusaw</b> , Crystal River
2015	<b>Zac Extejt</b> , Port Charlotte	1991	<b>Ben Murphey*</b>
2014	<b>Dave Carter</b> , Winter Haven	1990	<b>Paul Joyal</b> , Melbourne
2013	<b>Jim Painter</b> , Gainesville	1989	<b>Austin Fillmon*</b>
2012	<b>John Wiseman</b> , Sarasota	1988	<b>Bill Soforenko*</b>
2011	<b>Ken Ringe</b> , Stuart	1987	<b>Ed Giuliano</b> , Delray Beach
2010	<b>Richard Horton</b> , Miami	1986	<b>Paul Mashburn, Jr.*</b>
2009	<b>Richard Reynolds*</b>	1985	<b>Jack C. Demetree*</b>
2008	<b>Bill Paul</b> , Tampa	1984	<b>Leonard Miller*</b>
2007	<b>Mike Hickman</b> , Lakeland	1983	<b>John Arbib*</b>
2006	<b>Bill Slavich</b> , Naples	1982	<b>A.W. Fletcher*</b>
2005	<b>Barbara Revels</b> , Flagler Beach	1981	<b>George Kirkpatrick, Jr.*</b>
2004	<b>George Hansford</b> , Apopka	1980	<b>Raymond Nasrallah</b> , Jacksonville
2003	<b>Jay Carlson*</b>	1979	<b>Steve Abramson*</b>
2002	<b>Ron Coppenbarger</b> , Jacksonville	1978	<b>Jack A. Demetree*</b>
2001	<b>Richard Durling</b> , Ft. Myers	1977	<b>Lee Everhart</b> , Tallahassee
2000	<b>Carl Ludecke</b> , Mount Dora	1976	<b>Roy Dye*</b>
1999	<b>Stuart Kaye</b> , Naples	1975	<b>James Shimberg*</b>
1998	<b>Robert F. Harper, III</b> , Lakeland	1974	<b>Hank Green*</b>
1997	<b>Roy Pence</b> , Palm Bay	1973	<b>John Koelemij*</b>
1996	<b>Bing Hacker</b> , Clermont		

*\*Deceased*