

Thomas E. Spindle Award Winners

Thomas E. Spindle, an active CAHF participant and member of the Board of Directors, was killed in a 1969 plane crash in Alaska. Following his death, the Board created an annual recognition award in his honor. The Thomas E. Spindle Memorial Award recognizes an individual who has contributed considerable time and knowledge and provided exemplary service to CAHF.

PREVIOUS WINNERS

2023

Jill Capela

After spending a few years in the Bay Area honing her professional skills and business acumen, Jill started her own therapy company in 1988. With a constant commitment to clinical excellence, dedicated customer service and total teamwork in therapy services for the aged and disabled, this company eventually grew into a national company with more than six hundred clients and one-thousand employees in 26 states.

As owner and CEO, our recipient maintained a company culture that has stressed the importance of association involvement. In fact, the company's generous support and employee presence have been highly visible at virtually every major CAHF event held in the last three decades. A natural leader, Jill has also been personally immersed in CAHF, AHCA, APTA and other healthcare organizations – serving for many years as a member of CAHF's Products and Services, Convention and Political Action Committees. Among other things, Jill was one of the Association's first "Premier Partners," and a prior winner of CAHF's Distinguished Service Award.



ADDITIONAL PREVIOUS WINNERS

2022 Lori Cooper

2021 Julianne Williams

2019 Dick MacFarlane

2018 Calvin Callaway

2017 Mike Cutchshaw

2016 Walter Hekimian

2015 Terry Bane

2014 Elizabeth Plott Tyler

2013 Frances Foy

2012 Boyd Hendrickson

2011 Floyd Rhoades

2010 Bruce Bennett

2009 Richard Mendlen

2008 Stephen Reissman

2007 Nancy Beecham

2006 Sally & Roland Rapp

2005 Paul Tunnell

2004 Ron Kurtz