



## **PRESS RELEASE**

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**The Tile Roofing Institute Hall of Fame Recipient Don T. Summers passed away on November 11, 2014.**

*We are deeply saddened today by the loss of a great leader and visionary for the roofing industry, says Rick Olson, TRI President. Rick went on to say “Don was our beloved friend, colleague and TRI member for over 20 years, being awarded our highest award as a **Hall of Fame Recipient** in 2011.”*

Don has been working with the Tile Roofing Institute since 1993 as a valued member of the technical committee. His support and knowledge of TRI’s installation manual and development was greatly instrumental to providing contractors with a code-approved publication to increase the quality and use of tile roofing systems throughout the U.S. Dons “Do it right the first time philosophy” helped move the roofing industry to a higher standard.

Our thoughts and prayers go out to the Summers Family, Specialty Roofing and his friends as they mourn the loss of a great man to our industry.

**Don T. Summers**  
**Chairman, Specialty Roofing Inc.**

Don Summers has been an integral part of the roofing industry for nearly Fifty years. He graduated from Arizona State University in 1961 with a B.S. and then received his MBA at California State University, Fullerton in 1972.

Don began his career as a municipal bond trader and underwriter at Crocker Bank in California and then returned to Arizona in 1972 to take over the family business – Specialty Roofing Inc. Don has worked tirelessly in the

roofing industry giving much of his valuable time to ensure the technical advancement of the market and the success of those who are a part of it.

Don served as President of the Arizona Roofing Contractors Association in 1986 and was elected to Life Membership in 2003. He also served as President of the Western States Roofing Contractors Association in 1993-1994 and served as a Board Member in 1997-1998. He was awarded an Outstanding Service Award in 1999 and became a Member of the WSRCA Hall of Fame in 2002.

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