

**Birthday:**

April 9, 1975

**Birthplace:**

Surabaya, Indonesia

**Marital Status:**

Married to Eti Tantra. Son: Leon Tantra Gunawan

**Club:**

[Orange County Badminton Club](#)

**Specialty:**

Men's Doubles

**Sponsor:**

[Yonex](#)

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**Current BWF Ranking:**

5 with Candra Wijaya (as of March 6, 2008)

## Major Accomplishment:

Gold Medalist 2000 Sydney Olympic (with Candra Wijaya)  
Gold Medalist 2001 World Champion (with Halim Haryanto)  
Gold Medalist 2005 World Champion (with Howard Bach)  
Gold Medalist 1999 All England (with Candra Wijaya)  
Gold Medalist 2001 All England (with Halim Haryanto)

## Awards/Acknowledgment:

2005 LA Greatest Moment for Olympic Sports (with Howard Bach)

2005 USOC Team of the Year (with Howard Bach)

2000 Indonesian Athlete of the Year (with Candra Wijaya)

2001 Indonesian Favorite Athlete of the Year (with Halim Haryanto)



## Most Memorable Moment:

**2005 World Championship Final;** because no one has ever expected it, including myself. Being an underdog, and also the fact that I am kind of semi-retiree in badminton, winning the World Championship was a very fulfilling personal achievement. I would never dream of playing against my former partner, Candra Wijaya. By the way, rumor said that the betting odd for us winning was 1:20.

**2000 Olympics Final;** because Olympic happens only once every four years, the gold medal is every athlete's dream, and it is so damn hard to get. Besides, Candra and I were the number one seed and our country's hope for the gold medal. The pressure was so enormous and the amount of work I put was not a matter of days; it was more like months of discipline, determination, hard work, hard work, and more hard work.

**1996 Indonesia Open;** because it was a turning point for my career as I defeated the Unbeatable Duo – Ricky and Rexy in the quarter final (partner with Rudy Wijaya). Late 1994 to

1996 was Ricky/Rexy's golden era; they were on the winning streak for one and half years. Defeating them boosted up my confidence and made me realize that I had reached the level of top doubles players.

## **World Ranking History:**

**March 1999:** no 3 with Halim Haryanto and no 5 with Candra Wijaya

**July 1999:** no 1 with Candra Wijaya and no 17 with Halim Haryanto

**August 2001:** no 1 with Halim Haryanto and no 7 with Candra Wijaya

**January 2002:** no 2 with Halim Haryanto and no 9 with Candra Wijaya

## **Hobbies:**

Playing video games (RPG and Fighting Games)

Watching anime and comedy movies

## **Super Series/Grand Prix Accomplishments:**

2007 Japan Open (with Candra Wijaya)

2006 Japan Open (with Candra Wijaya)

2006 Korea Open (with Candra Wijaya)

2006 US Open (with Halim Haryanto)

2006 Indonesia Open (with Candra Wijaya)

2005 Copenhagen Master (with Howard Bach)

2005 OCBC/Yonex International (with Howard Bach)

2005 German Open (with Halim Haryanto)

2005 USA/SCBA Championship (with Howard Bach)

2004 Dutch Open (with Howard Bach)

2004 US Open (with Howard Bach)

2003 US Open (with Bob Malaythong)

2002 SCBA Classic (with Bob Malaythong)

2002 Puerto Rico Open (with Bob Malaythong)

2002 US Open (with Bob Malaythong)

2001 Singapore Open (with Halim Haryanto)

2000 Asia Cup (with Rexy Mainaky)

2000 World Grand Prix Final (with Candra Wijaya)

2000 Indonesia Open (with Candra Wijaya)

2000 Thomas Cup – team event

2000 Japan Open (with Candra Wijaya)

1999 World Grand Prix Final (with Candra Wijaya)

1999 Ipoh Master (with Candra Wijaya)

1999 Malaysia Open (with Candra Wijaya)  
1998 Hong Kong Open (with Candra Wijaya)  
1998 Brunei Open (with Halim Haryanto)  
1998 Malaysia Open (with Halim Haryanto)  
1998 Thomas Cup – team event  
1998 Swedish Open (with Candra Wijaya)  
1997 Copenhagen Master (with Candra Wijaya)  
1997 Polish Open (with Victo Wibowo)  
1997 France Open (with Victo Wibowo)

Playing badminton competitively for over 15 years requires me to maintain my level of fitness throughout the years.

Since I got introduced to LifeWave by Roy Surjono, I have been using Energy Enhancer religiously. I can't even go to practice or Tournaments without that patch. These patches really increase my stamina, my focus and my strength greatly. I use Energy Enhancer, Glutathione and Carnosine for helping me throughout my career as a Badminton Player. There are so many close games that I normally would run out of energy before the patches, but now I am able to pull it off easily and win tournaments.

Thanks to the patches.

I am almost 34 years old and most badminton players are retiring at 25 years old. I am currently ranked #6 in the world and since the patch I am winning more tournaments even at my age. The average age of competitors in the top ten spots is about 22 years old. From this age separation alone we can see that the patches are really helping me.

Thank you so much to Roy Surjono for teaching me the triangle of upper and lower dantien super power, so that I am always fit and ready for every tournament. I never run out of energy anymore.

Success to you always:

*Tony Gunawan*