

Starting over is never easy. It's even more challenging when the change comes suddenly. When Gary Smith passed away unexpectedly this past July, it certainly left a huge void in all our hearts, as well as silencing a foremost voice in the EDA industry.

While Gary is truly irreplaceable and we continue to miss him terribly, the EDA industry has a mission that must move ahead unabated. And Gary Smith EDA will follow suit.

Our team of analysts has a long history covering EDA and a strong professional relationship, having worked together closely for over 17 years at Gary Smith EDA and, previously, Gartner. We have a wealth of experience following the EDA and engineering tools markets. **Laurie Balch** will be the lead analyst for Gary Smith EDA's market intelligence and advisory services, along with **Mary Olsson, Sharon Tan** and the GSEDA analyst team. With our breadth of knowledge and expertise about the industry, we are poised to carry on Gary's mission as thought leaders for EDA and engineering market research.

We look forward to continuing to support the EDA industry with our detailed market statistics and forecasting reports, consulting and advisory services, and strategy and analysis services. For more information about how we can help with your EDA market advisory needs, please contact Laurie at (408) 799-9319 or laurie@garysmitheda.com.