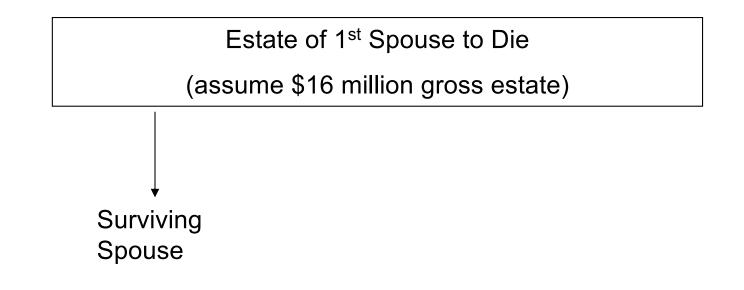
## **OPTION #1 – TRANSFER ALL ASSETS OUTRIGHT TO S.S.**



#### Tax Consequences:

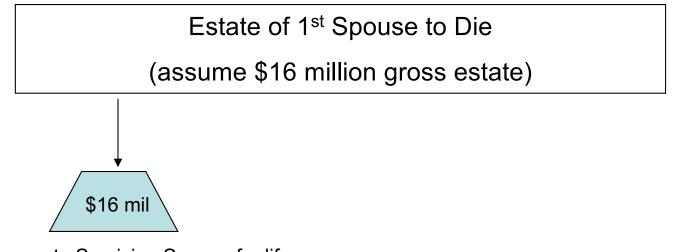
• At 1<sup>st</sup> spouse's death, no tax (marital deduction – 2056(a))

• At surviving spouse's (SS) death, full amount (whatever remains) is included in her gross estate (1<sup>st</sup> spouse's unified credit was wasted prior to portability under 2010 legislation)

#### Non-tax consequence:

• Surviving spouse has full control over \$16 million

# **OPTION #2 – TRANSFER ALL ASSETS TO QTIP TRUST FOR S.S.**



Income to Surviving Spouse for life, payable at least annually; Remainder to children at SS's death

# Tax Consequences:

• At 1<sup>st</sup> spouse's death, no tax (if § 2056(b)(7) satisfied and elected)

• At surviving spouse's death, full trust value included in her gross estate if § 2056(b)(7) QTIP election was made at 1<sup>st</sup> spouse's death (§ 2044) (1<sup>st</sup> spouse's unified credit was wasted prior to portability under 2010 legislation)

## Non-tax consequence:

<u>1<sup>st</sup> decedent controls</u> disposition of trust property

### **OPTION #3 – TYPICAL A / B TRUST STRUCTURE**

