

Assets gifted into trust are held for the benefit of the grantor's spouse and children or other descendants can be included as beneficiaries at this time as well. Assets may provide income and/or principal to beneficiaries during the grantor's lifetime.

At Death of Grantor Spouse:

FAMILY TRUST

All assets will be held in the Family Trust except any assets which are included in the surviving spouse's taxable estate, if any. Surviving spouse is usually primary beneficiary with access to income and/or principal. Assets will not be subject to estate tax upon death of the surviving spouse.

MARITAL TRUST

Only those assets included in the surviving spouse's taxable estate will be added to the Marital Trust, if any. Surviving spouse is the sole beneficiary. Assets in the Marital Trust will be included in the surviving spouse's taxable estate and may be subject to estate tax at death of the surviving spouse.

At Death of Both Spouses:

LIFETIME TRUSTS FOR BENEFICIARIES (GST NON-EXEMPT)

GST non-exempt portion subject to estate tax at each beneficiary's death. Otherwise, assets may provide income and/or principal to beneficiaries.

LIFETIME TRUSTS FOR BENEFICIARIES (GST EXEMPT)

GST exempt portion not subject to estate tax at each beneficiary's death. Assets may provide income and/or principal to beneficiaries.