## Gift Tax vs. Estate Tax



Donor gifts $\$ 1$ million to Donee:
has already used his $\$ 5$ million lifetime
exemption; federal gift tax @ rate of $50 \%=$ $\$ 500,000$ to IRS; therefore it takes $\$ 1.5$ million to make a $\$ 1$ million gift

## Gift Tax vs. Estate Tax



Donor dies with $\$ 2$ million in estate:
has already used his $\$ 5$ million lifetime exemption; federal gift tax @ rate of $50 \%=\$ 1,000,000$ to IRS; therefore it takes $\$ 2$ million to make a $\$ 1$ million bequest

