

# Income Gap at Owner's Death

## **Scenario #1: The Million-Dollar Man:**

1. Assume value of business is \$1,000,000. Owner receives \$250,000 of annual compensation and spends it. EBITDA of \$300,000 is retained by company for growth.
2. Owner dies and business is liquidated.
  - a. How much capital is needed to replace \$250,000 income for benefit of family?
  - b. How much capital, including life insurance, is available?
  - c. How does owner close any income gap created at death?

## **Scenario #2: The lucky (?) owner who completed her estate plan the week before death.**

1. Assume value of business is \$5,000,000. 50% Co-Owner receives \$250,000 of annual compensation and spends it. EBITDA of \$1,250,000 is retained by company for growth purposes.
2. Owner dies and her interest is purchased via fully funded buy-sell agreement for \$2,500,000.
  - a. How much capital is needed to replace \$250,000 income for benefit of family?
  - b. How much capital, including life insurance, is available?
  - c. How does owner close any income gap created at death?

## **Scenario #3: The lucky (?) owner who completed her estate plan the week before death.**

Use same info as #2 but assume co-owner receives \$500,000 of compensation and spends it, with EBITDA of \$750,000 retained by company.

What investment income assumptions should be used?  
What can be done to compensate family for the lost ownership opportunity?