

# ANNUITY TO LIFE INSURANCE

## CASE STUDY

Redirecting qualified money into a life insurance strategy can provide unique advantages beyond traditional retirement distributions. By repositioning these dollars, clients may reduce future tax exposure, create tax-free income opportunities, enhance legacy value for heirs, and secure protection benefits such as chronic illness or LTC riders. See the strategy in action in the case study below.

### CLIENT PROFILE & SITUATION

**Clients:** John (68) and Mary (66)

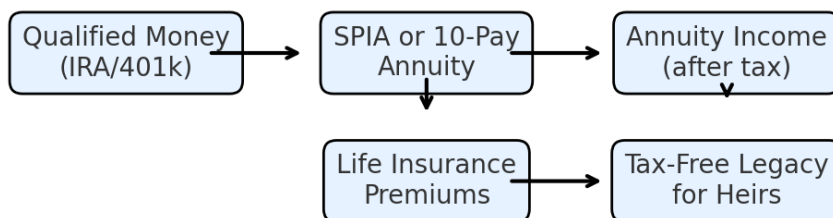
**Assets:** \$400,000 in a Traditional IRA.

**Goals:**

- Reduce tax exposure on required minimum distributions (RMDs)
- Leave a larger; tax-free legacy to children
- Maintain predictable income in retirement.

### STEP-BY-STEP STRATEGY

1. Reallocate Qualified Assets – Move \$400,000 from Traditional IRA into a Single Premium Immediate Annuity (SPIA) or 10-Pay Annuity.
2. Generate Predictable Income – Annuity provides guaranteed, steady after-tax income stream.
3. Redirect Income into Life Insurance – Use annuity payouts to fund premiums on a permanent life insurance policy.
4. Leverage Tax-Free Death Benefit – Life insurance creates a much larger, income-tax-free legacy for heirs



STRATEGY	OUTCOME FOR HEIRS
KEEP IRA AS-IS	\$400,000 (TAXABLE TO HEIRS)
ANNUITY ONLY	PREDICTABLE INCOME, BUT TAXABLE
ANNUITY + LIFE INSURANCE	\$700,000 - \$800,000 TAX-FREE

### NOTES & KEY BENEFITS

- Converts taxable retirement assets into tax-free inheritance.
- Annuity ensures steady income and removes longevity risk.
- Life insurance magnifies legacy and provides tax efficiency.
- Works best when clients are in relatively good health and have no need to fully rely on IRA for living expenses.
- Speak to your tax professional to determine whether this strategy is taxable in your specific situation.

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