

Catlett Corley, father of Nathaniel and Bailey Corley, Sr. wrote his will, Nov. 27, 1807. The will was recorded Aug. 12, 1808:

Witnesses were Lewis and Nancy Matthews (Nancy was the daughter of Aaron and Elizabeth Deloach Allen Etheredge)

The executors of the will were Catlett's sons, Nathaniel, John and Bailey Corley (Sr.)

Named in his will were Catlett's wife, Elizabeth and children; Nathaniel, Bailey, John, Sugar, Adkin, Buckner, Martha, (sic.Mariah), Elizabeth and Sarah Corley.

Note: Nathaniel Corley married Sarah Etheredge, widower of Newton Franklin of Fairfield/Chester Dist., and was the daughter of Henry and Jemima Whaley Etheredge of the Old Edgefield District., S.C. Bailey Corley, Sr. married Barbara Etheredge, daughter of Lott and Rachel Spencer Etheredge. Lott and Henry Etheredge were brothers and sons of Samuel and Sarah Mayson Etheredge. These families lived near the old communities of Sardis and Mt. Willing. The old Sardis meeting house is the location of Catlett's grave. The first meeting house land was donated by Shepherd Spencer, Sr., brother in law of Lott and brother of Lott's wife, Rachel. The present area of where the Sardis Baptist Church is located is not far from the Old Meeting house area. Catlett's grave is in the Corley family cemetery and is buried with son, Adkin Corley.

Notes from Mt. Willing land transactions by Charles Reneau Andrews (available from Saluda Historical Society) about Catlett's land -

A deed was executed on behalf of the Executors of Catlett Corly to Isaac Stephens on Feb. 18, 1809 for "200 acres lying on waters of Little Saluda River adjacent Dailey's Creek, land formerly belonging to John E. Calhoun, land where Francis Davis formerly lived, land formerly belonging to Kezziah Coetny (?) (Keziah Cotney). Comments" Lott Etheridge and Joel Bell witnessed the deed. Elisabeth Corley, wife of Catlet Corley relinquished dower rights. Catlet Corley purchased this property

from Richard Hampton, Dec. 29, 1790. This property was sold by
Isaac Stephens to Spear Price 15 Sep 1809" - page 232"