

### **GWENLLIAN (died 1136)**

Name: Gwenllian Date of death: 1136 Spouse: Gruffydd ap Rhys ap Tewdwr Child: Gwladus ferch Gruffydd Child: Maredudd ap Gruffydd ap Rhys Child: Rhys ap Gruffydd Parent: Angharad ferch Owain ab Edwin Parent: Gruffudd ap Cynan Gender: Female Area of activity: Royalty and Society; Politics, Government and Political Movements; Military Author: Thomas Jones Pierce

Daughter of Gruffudd ap Cynan, by Angharad, daughter of Owen ap Edwin. She married Gruffydd ap Rhys shortly after 1116, the most famous of her sons being the 'lord' Rhys ap Gruffydd. At the opening of the great Welsh uprising in 1136, she led an attack on the Norman fortress of Kidwelly, in her husband's absence, and was killed fighting outside the town, at a spot still known as Maes Gwenllian.

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Professor Thomas Jones Pierce, (1905 - 1964)

## **Sources**

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## **Further Reading**

Wikipedia Article: Gwenllian ferch Gruffydd

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