

JONES, RICHARD (Gwyndaf Eryri; 1785 - 1848), poet, farmer, and stonemason

Name: Richard Jones Pseudonym: Gwyndaf Ervri Date of birth: 1785 Date of death: 1848 Parent: Margaret Jones Parent: John Jones Gender: Male

Occupation: poet, farmer, and stone-mason

Area of activity: Business and Industry; Eisteddfod; Nature and Agriculture; Poetry

Author: Isaac Samuel Lloyd

Born at Erw Ystyfflau, Llanwnda, Caernarfonshire, towards the end of 1785, son of John and Margaret Jones; he was christened at Llanwnda church 29 January 1786. He died 21 June 1848 and was buried in Llanbeblig churchyard, Caernarvon. He was a self-educated but highly successful eisteddfodic poet. In 1821 he won the chair at the Caernarvon eisteddfod for an awdl on music, the Gwyneddigion medal at the Llanwrtyd eisteddfod, 1823, for an awdl on the advantages of education, and several other chief prizes. In 1818 he published a volume of his poetry under the title Peroriaeth Awen.

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