

MORRIS, DAVID (Bardd Einion; 1797? - 1868), poet

Name: David Morris
Pseudonym: Bardd Einion
Date of birth: 1797?
Date of death: 1868
Parent: Margaret Morris
Parent: David Morris
Gender: Male
Occupation: poet
Area of activity: Poetry
Author: Enid Pierce Roberts

he is thought to have been born in 1797 at Tan-y-bryn, Llanfair Caereinion, Montgomeryshire, and he may have been the David, son of David and Margaret Morris of the Heniarth district who was christened in the parish church 2 July 1797. He started life as a weaver but later turned to market gardening. The old name for Tan-y-bryn was 'Y Gerddi' and there David Morris tended his garden, selling his produce to his neighbours or in the near-by markets. He was well versed in Welsh history and poetry and could recite long poems from memory. He was himself an able writer of englynion and at the Llanfair Caereinion eisteddfod, out of forty competitors, won the prize for an *englyn* on 'The Wind.' It is said that **Gwallter Mechain** and Robert Jones (Bardd Mawddach) used to correct his earlier efforts. He was buried at Llanfair Caereinion, 14 April 1868.

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