

## MORRIS, MORRIS ap RHISIART, or MORRIS PRICHARD (1674 - 1763), farmer and cooper

Name: Morris ap Rhisiart Morris Date of birth: 1674 Date of death: 1763 Spouse: Margaret Morris (née Owen) Child: Ellen Davies (née Morris) Child: Villiam Morris Child: Richard Morris Child: Ide Morris Child: Lewis Morris Child: Lewis Morris Gender: Male Occupation: farmer and cooper Area of activity: History and Culture; Literature and Writing Author: Hugh Owen

Father of the Morris brothers Lewis, Richard, William, and John Morris ('Morrisiaid Môn').

He was born at Tyddyn Melus in Llanfihangel-tre'r-beirdd in 1674 and married Margaret Owen (1671 - 1752) of Bodafon-y-glyn, a neighbouring farm in June 1699. After the birth of his eldest son Lewis on 2 March 1701, he went to live to Fferem; from there in 1707, he moved to Pentrerianell where he continued his work as a cooper in addition to that of farming. He suffered from frequent ailments throughout his life. On his wife's death his grand-daughter Margaret and her husband went to live with him and assisted in the cultivation of his farm. They succeeded in getting him to leave Pentrerianell in 1761, when he went to live in a room in Llannerch-y-medd where he died 25 November 1763; he was buried three days later in Llanfihangel-tre'r-beirdd churchyard. At all times he actively identified himself with the intellectual interests of his sons.

## Author

Hugh Owen, (1880 - 1953)

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