

## MORRIS, WILLIAM (1783 - 1861), Calvinistic Methodist minister

**Name:** William Morris  
**Date of birth:** 1783  
**Date of death:** 1861  
**Spouse:** Lettice Morris (née Morris)  
**Parent:** Margaret Morris  
**Parent:** Thomas Morris  
**Gender:** Male  
**Occupation:** Calvinistic Methodist minister  
**Area of activity:** Religion  
**Author:** Gomer Morgan Roberts

Born in Church Street, Kilgerran, Pembrokeshire, in 1783, son of Thomas and Margaret Morris.

THOMAS MORRIS (1761 - 1831) was the superintendent of the C.M. society which met in his house and, when he was getting on for middle age, began to preach in west Wales, while continuing to follow his trade as a country boot-maker. He died 17 October 1831.

His son was also a boot-maker; he joined the society as a young man and began to preach c. 1801. In 1812 he was licensed as a dissenting minister; and he was ordained at the Llangeitho Association in 1815. He is described as William Morris, ' Minister of the Gospel ', Clydau, in his bond dated 22 August 1822 to marry Lettice Morris, Llansteffan. About 1835-6 he moved to St. Davids, where he died 8 December 1861, and was buried in the cathedral churchyard. He travelled a great deal throughout Wales and was held in high esteem by his contemporaries who regarded him as an ardent and lucid preacher. In 1873 a stout volume of his sermons was published under the editorship of George Williams.

### Author

Reverend Gomer Morgan Roberts, (1904 - 1993)

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the family vault at Kilgerran

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