

## POWELL, RICHARD (1769 - 1795), poet and schoolmaster, of Ysbyty Ifan, Denbighshire

**Name:** Richard Powell  
**Date of birth:** 1769  
**Date of death:** 1795  
**Parent:** Jemimah Powell (née Parry)  
**Parent:** Hugh Powell  
**Gender:** Male  
**Occupation:** poet and schoolmaster  
**Area of activity:** Education; Eisteddfod; Poetry  
**Author:** Elwyn Evans

Born in Llanegryn, Merioneth. He is probably the Richard (son of Hugh Powell, a weaver, and Jemimah Parry) whose christening [on a date which is now illegible] is recorded in the parish register.

In 1793, at the Bala eisteddfod of the Gwyneddigion Society he won the medal out of eleven competitors for his 'Awdyl ar Dymhorau y Vlwyzyn'. His 'Carol Plygain Ddydd Natolic' is to be found in a volume called *Difrifol Ystyriaeth*, published by John Daniel (Carmarthen, 1789). He was known also as a grammarian.

He died in October 1795 while crossing the mountains from Ffestiniog to Ysbyty Ifan.

### Author

Elwyn Evans

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