

## RAFF ap ROBERT (fl. 1550 of Cilgwyn, Bachymbyd, Denbighshire, 'a free holder of Dyffryn Clwyd' and a non-professional poet

**Name:** Raff ap Robert  
**Child:** Edwart ap Raff  
**Gender:** Male  
**Occupation:** 'a free holder of Dyffryn Clwyd' and a non-professional poet  
**Home:** Cilgwyn  
**Area of activity:** Land Ownership; Poetry  
**Author:** Rhiannon Francis Roberts

(Jes. Coll. MS. 18) (R.W.M. II, 88). His pedigree is given in [Peniarth MS 134](#) (142-3). As he composed an elegy on the death of [Tudur Aled](#) (c. 1526), and as another of his *cywyddau* is dated 1582 in one manuscript, it would appear that he lived to an advanced age; this is borne out in the elegy upon him by [Siôn Tudur \(Llanstephan MS 166](#) (89)). His work includes satirical *englynion* to [Gruffudd Hiraethog](#) and *englynion* in interchanges with [Robin Clidro](#) and [Wiliam Llŷn](#). [Edwart ap Raff](#) was his son.

### Author

**Rhiannon Francis Roberts**, (1923 - 1990)

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