

ROBERTS, RICHARD (GWYLFA) (1871 - 1935), Congregational minister, poet and prose-writer

Name: Richard Roberts Pseudonvm: Gwvlfa Date of birth: 1871 Date of death: 1935 Parent: Ellen Roberts Parent: Richard Roberts

Occupation: Congregational minister, poet and prose-writer

Area of activity: Eisteddfod; Literature and Writing; Poetry; Religion

Author: Robert Thomas Jenkins

Born 24 May (according to Who's Who in Wales, presumably his own statement), but according to some obituary notices, 22 May 1871, at Penmaenmawr, son of Richard and Ellen Roberts. He was at ysgol ramadeg Botwnnog, and in 1892 went to Bala-Bangor Independent College. In 1895 he became pastor at Felinheli ('Port Dinorwic'); from 1898 till his death he was pastor of Tabernacle church, Llanelly. He was a popular preacher, and a diligent writer; a frequent contributor to the periodical press, he was editor of Y *Diwygiwr* for 1906, one of the editors of Y *Dysgedydd*, 1912-14, and sole editor of it in 1931-3. In 1932 he edited the works of Rhys J. Huws. He was on two occasions (Ffestiniog, 1898, and Cardiff, 1899) 'crowned' at the national eisteddfod, and was runner-up for the 'crown' at Swansea, 1907 in 1898 he published a volume of poetry, Y *Drain Gwynion*. He was 'recorder' of the 'Gorsedd of Bards' at the time of his death; he died 8 July 1935 at Penmaenmawr, and was buried at Llanelly.

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Emeritus Professor Robert Thomas Jenkins, (1881 - 1969)

Sources

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