

WILLIAMS, WILLIAM (Gwilym Twrog; 1768 - 1836), poet

Name: William Williams
Pseudonym: Gwilym Twrog
Date of birth: 1768
Date of death: 1836
Gender: Male
Occupation: poet
Area of activity: Poetry
Author: Robert (Bob) Owen

Born 22 November 1768 in the parish of Maentwrog, Merionethshire, and christened in Ffestiniog parish church. He wrote numerous *englynion*, *cywyddau*, *awdlau*, and hymns, many of which were published in Welsh periodicals - *Seren Gomer*, 1823-35, *Y Dysgedydd*, 1823-31, *Y Gwylidydd*, 1824, *Tywysog Cymru*, 1832-3, *Y Gwladgarwr*, 1834-5. He was official bard to the Llanfair (Merioneth) Cymreigyddion society in 1823, and to a similar society at Maentwrog in 1825. He won a prize offered by ' Cymdeithas Cymreigyddion Llundain ' in 1834 for a *cywydd* on the subject of a decision given by lord Lyndhurst in the Caernarvon assize of 1832. His home was Garth Gwyn, in the parish of Maentwrog; he died at Tŷ Nant in the same parish on 11 August 1836, being buried in the burial ground attached to the Scotch Baptist church of Ramoth, Llanfrothen, Meirionnydd, of which he was a member.

Author

Robert (Bob) Owen, (1885 - 1962)

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