

# WILLIAMS, WILLIAM (Gwilym ab Ioan; 1800 - 1868), Welsh-American poet

Name: William Williams Pseudonym: Gwilym ab Ioan Date of birth: 1800 Date of death: 1868 Gender: Male Occupation: Welsh-American poet Area of activity: Poetry Author: Robert (Bob) Owen

Born at Bala, Merionethshire, and educated in an elementary school there. Emigrating to the U.S.A. in 1825, he became a merchant in New York and, in time, secretary of the S. David's Charitable Society. He took the prize at the Abergavenny eisteddfod of 1837, for elegiac *englynion* on Thomas Price (Carnhuanawc); he also won prizes for poems submitted to eisteddfodau in the U.S.A. Many of his poetical compositions are printed in Y *Cyfaill*, Y *Cenhadwr Americanaidd*, etc. He died in New York, 28 January 1868.

# Author

Robert (Bob) Owen, (1885 - 1962)

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