

ALICE verch Griffith ap Ieuan ap Llywelyn Fychan (fl. 1540-1570), a poetess

Name: Alice verch Griffith ap Ieuan ap Llywelyn Fychan
Spouse: Dafydd Llwyd ap Rhys
Child: Edward Lloyd
Child: William Llwyd
Child: Thomas Llwyd
Child: John Llwyd
Parent: Sioned ferch Rhisiart ab Hywel
Parent: Gruffydd ap Ieuan ap Llywelyn Fychan
Gender: Female
Occupation: a poetess
Area of activity: Poetry
Author: Evan David Jones

Daughter of the gentleman poet, [Gruffydd ap Ieuan ap Llewelyn Fychan](#) (c. 1485 - 1553) of Llannerch in Llewenni Fechan, Denbighshire. Her mother was his first wife, Jonet, daughter of [Richard ap Howel](#) of Mostyn (died 1540).

Alice (or Alice Wen) was born about 1520, and married, about 1540, David Lloyd ap Rees of Vaynol, one of the [Lloyds](#) of Wigfair. Her children were John Lloyd (died 1615), registrar of St Asaph, Thomas Lloyd of Vaynol (died 1602), William Lloyd, M.A., rector of Llanrhaeadr-ym-Mochnant and Llanfechain, 1590-1600, and Llanwrin, and canon of St Asaph cathedral, 1587-1600, and Edward Lloyd (died 1639), proctor of St Asaph.

Little has been preserved of her bardic compositions - *englynion* on the type of husband she desired and on her views on her father's second marriage in old age, and a *cywydd* to reconcile Grigor y Moch and Davydd Llwyd Lwdwn.

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