

DAFYDD, ROBERT (1747 - 1834), Calvinistic Methodist preacher; a weaver

Name: Robert Dafydd
Date of birth: 1747
Date of death: 1834
Parent: Dafydd Prichard
Gender: Male
Occupation: Calvinistic Methodist preacher; a weaver
Area of activity: Business and Industry; Religion
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Born at Cwmbychan, Nanmor, Meirionnydd, son of a weaver named Dafydd Prichard. When about 21 he was affected by a sermon preached by [John Robert Lewis](#), and learned to read in the circulating school kept at Beddgelert by [Robert Jones](#) (1745-1829), of Rhos-lan. He then went to live and work in Llangybi parish, Caernarfonshire, married, and set up house at Tyddyn Ruffydd. His name appears as one of the witnesses of the first title-deed (1772) of Brynengan chapel, the focus of Eifionydd Methodism, and he began preaching in 1773. He died 17 April 1834 at the chapel-house of Brynengan, where one of his sons lived. Physically, he was a giant; his tongue had a very rough edge, and his sayings are widely remembered.

Author

Emeritus Professor Robert Thomas Jenkins, (1881 - 1969)

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