


GRUFFYDD ap MADOG or GRUFFYDD MAELOR I (died 1191);

Name: Gruffydd ap Madog
Date of death: 1191
Spouse: Angharad ferch Owain Gwynedd
Child: Owen ap Gruffydd
Child: Madog ap Gruffydd Maelor
Parent: Susanna ferch Gruffydd ap Cynan
Parent: Madog ap Maredudd
Gender: Male
Area of activity: Royalty and Society; Politics, Government and Political Movements
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son of [Madog ap Maredudd](#) by Susanna, daughter of [Gruffudd ap Cynan](#), and the founder of the principal ruling family of northern Powys during the 13th century. When the province was divided into two spheres of influence on the death of [Madog ap Maredudd](#) in 1160, territories north of the Rhaeadr were subject to further subdivision among Gruffydd and his brothers - see [Owain Fychan](#) and [Owain Brogyntyn](#). His share consisted of Maelor and Ial (Bromfield and Yale) to which he later added Nanheudwy, and on the death, in 1187, of [Owain Fychan](#), the lands of Cynllaith and lower Mochnant. Excluding Penllyn and Edeirnion, he had thus reunited northern Powys, though it was his elder son, [Madog](#), who lent his name to this region since known as 'Powys Fadog.' He married his cousin, Angharad, daughter of [Owain Gwynedd](#), and had two sons, [Madog](#) and Owen. He is called 'Gruffydd Maelor I' to distinguish him from his grandson 'Gruffydd Maelor II,' who died 1269 ([Lloyd, A History of Wales](#) , 769).

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Sources

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