

## HUGHES, LOT (1787 - 1873), Wesleyan minister and historian

**Name:** Lot Hughes  
**Date of birth:** 1787  
**Date of death:** 1873  
**Spouse:** Elizabeth Hughes  
**Spouse:** Jennett Hughes (née Jones)  
**Gender:** Male  
**Occupation:** Wesleyan minister and historian  
**Area of activity:** History and Culture; Religion  
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Born 20 May 1787 at Abergele. After eighteen months of elementary education he was apprenticed to a draper and followed his trade in a number of places. He was one of the first members of the Wesleyan society at Abergele (1802), was elected 'leader' at the age of sixteen, and began to preach in 1806. After the 1808 conference he was called to the ministry and spent the rest of that denominational year on the Llangollen circuit. Thereafter he served on the following circuits: Llanidloes (1809), Aberystwyth (1810), Brecon (1812), Merthyr (1814), Cardigan (1816, with S. Davids as his place of residence), Carmarthen and Llandilo (1818), Ruthin and Llangollen (1820), Beaumaris (1822), Pwllheli (1824), Dolgelley (1826), Holywell (1828), Llanfyllin (1830), Llanrwst (1832), Llangollen (1834), Beaumaris (1837), Dolgelley (1839), Machynlleth (1841), Brecon (1843), Swansea (1846), and Liverpool (1849). He married (1) 1816, Jennett Jones of Brecon (died 1856) and (2) 1857, Mrs. Elizabeth Evans (died 1872). He was superannuated in 1850 and died at Chester, 13 July 1873.

His biographer states that he was 'an experiential, pleasant, and very successful preacher...' He could remember the early days of Wesleyanism in Wales, and published a long series of articles in the *Eurgrawn Wesleyaidd* between 1860 and 1872 giving a 'Retrospect of the Beginning and State of the Cause' in various places, which is of inestimable value to every historian of the Wesleyan denomination. Others helped him by collecting material and polishing the style of the articles, but he was the prime inspiration of the series. An index to the series was published by [Richard Prichard](#) as a supplement to the *Eurgrawn*, 1872. Apart from these, much of his other work was published in the *Eurgrawn* from time to time. He also wrote his autobiography and, although this was never published, extensive use was made of it by [W. H. Evans](#) when preparing his 'Memoir' for the *Eurgrawn*.

### Author

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