## PARRY, WILLIAM (1754 - 1819), Independent minister and tutor, and author

Name: William Parry Date of birth: 1754 Date of death: 1819 Gender: Male Occupation: Independent minister and tutor, and author Area of activity: Education; Literature and Writing; Religion Author: Robert Thomas Jenkins

Born 25 November 1754 at Abergavenny, where his father (who however soon afterwards moved to London) was a deacon among the Baptists. In 1774, the son became an Independent. He went to Homerton academy, and was minister in Essex from 1780 till 1799; there, he strove energetically to better the livelihood of the Independent ministers of the county, and further (though without effect in those days) to have the legal disabilities of Dissenters removed. In 1799, he was appointed tutor in what had been Coward's Academy, on the occasion of its removal to Wymondley, Hertfordshire. In 1808, he engaged in controversy against the ideas of <u>Edward Williams (</u>1750 - 1813) of Rotherham. He died 9 January 1819. The *D.N.B.* has an article on him (with a list of his works), on which the present notice has been based.

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