

## THOMAS, WILLIAM (1790 - 1861), poet

**Name:** William Thomas  
**Date of birth:** 1790  
**Date of death:** 1861  
**Gender:** Male  
**Occupation:** poet  
**Area of activity:** Poetry; Religion  
**Author:** Nansi Ceridwen Jones

Born at Amlwch in 1790. His parents moved to Bodedern while he was young and he attended the services held by the Wesleyans there. He joined them and preached with them for a short period, being the first Wesleyan preacher to be raised in Anglesey. He was a saddler by trade. He moved to Aberffraw in 1814 and to Holyhead in 1830. In 1842 he published *Ffrwyth Myfyrdodol* (Caernarvon), a volume of hymns. In 1860 he prepared another book, but he had died before it was published in 1862 under the title *Ehediad y Meddwl* (Caernarvon), a volume of poems, hymns, and elegies with a short biography of the author by the [Rev. W. H. Evans](#). One of his hymns is included in the editions of the *Wesleyan hymn book*, published during the 19th century and early 20th century. He died 8 September 1861.

### Author

Nansi Ceridwen Jones

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