

EDWARDS, MORGAN (1722 - 1795); Baptist minister and historian

Name: Morgan Edwards

Date of birth: 1722

Date of death: 1795

Gender: Male

Occupation: Baptist minister and historian

Area of activity: History and Culture; Literature and Writing; Religion; Scholarship and Languages

Author: Edward William Price Evans

Born at Pontypool 9 May 1722, and educated at Trosnant and at Bristol Baptist Academy. After being at Boston, Cork, and Rye, he was invited to Philadelphia, U.S.A., where he ministered from 1761 to 1771. Thereafter he was an occasional preacher and lecturer, except during the War of Independence, when he adhered to the Crown. He died at Pencader, Newcastle County, Delaware, 25 January 1795, and was buried at Philadelphia. Morgan Edwards, a conspicuously able and scholarly minister, did much for education: (1) at Philadelphia, of whose college he was M.A. and Fellow; (2) in the college (now Brown University) at Providence, Rhode Island (of which he was M.A. and Fellow), the charter of which he helped to secure and for which he collected thousands of pounds in England and elsewhere. He also did invaluable work for American Baptist history: (1) the printing of the minutes of the influential Philadelphia Baptist Association; (2) the publication, 1770, of his *Materials towards a History of the Baptists in Pennsylvania*; and (3) in 1792, of a companion volume for New Jersey.

Author

Reverend Edward William Price Evans, (1887 - 1972)

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