

William de Beauchamp

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Born: 1237 - Elmley Castle, Worcestershire, , England

Married: Maud Fitzalan

Died: 9 Jun 1298 - Elmley, Worcestershire, , England

Parents: Unknown

William de Beauchamp, 9th Earl of Warwick (1237-1298) was an English nobleman and soldier, described as a “vigorous and innovative military commander”^f. He was active in the field against the Welsh for many years, and at the end of his life campaigned against the Scots.

Soldier

He was a close friend of Edward I of England, and was an important leader in Edward's invasion of Wales in 1277. In 1294 he raised the siege of Conwy Castle, where the King had been penned in, crossing the estuary. He was victorious on March 5, 1295 at the battle of Maes Madog, against Madog ap Llywelyn. In a night attack on the Welsh infantry, he used cavalry to drive them into compact formations, which were then shot up by his archers, and charged.

Family

His father was William de Beauchamp of Elmley, his mother Isabel Mauduit, sister and heiress of William Mauduit, 8th Earl of Warwick.

He married Maud FitzGeoffrey. His children included:

- Isabella, married Hugh le Despenser, Earl of Winchester
- Guy, who married Alice de Toeni, widow of Thomas de Leyburne
- Sarah

Information from online research at: Ancestry.com