

Húrin

Húrin was a brave warrior, the husband of Morwen and father of Túrin, Nienor and Urwen Lathir who died in infancy.

After refusing to betray his friends he was captured and tortured by Morgoth who placed him high on the peaks of Thangorodrim, immobilized in a seat. Through the power of Morgoth, he could see and hear from the seat all the evils that later befell Túrin and Nienor, who was born while he was a captive. But he saw only those things that

Morgoth wished to reveal and was thus embittered even more by the way his children, both under the spells of Glaurung, came to be married and later commit suicide.

After 28 years of imprisonment and the death of his children, he was released but had grown grim to look upon: his hair and beard were white and long and he carried a great black staff; but he was girt with a sword."

He came to where his son and daughter had died, and met his wife Morwen there at their grave a just before she, too, died. A broken man, he was rumoured to have cast himself in the sea and killed himself. That was the end of Húrin, who had been known as the "mightiest of the warriors of mortal men".

