Aikman Mausoleum



A carefully detailed Greek Revival mausoleum with a flight of steps leading up to an entrance flanked by fluted Doric columns.

Kensal Green Cemetery Harrow Road London W10 4RA England Scan for Google Maps Link



Architects

John Griffith

Year Built

1844

Style

Greek Revival

Listing

Grade II (England and Wales)

Condition

Good, but plants were beginning to grow on the roof (2002).

History

This mausoleum was built following the death of Captain George Robertson Aikman (1760-1844) of Ross and Broomelton, Lanarkshire. Also buried here are George's two sons, William (1822-1903) and Frederick (1828-1888) who continued the family tradition by serving in the army. William was a religious writer and poet whose works include a collection of essays published under the pseudonym 'A Soldier of the Cross', while Frederick won the Victoria Cross during the Indian Mutiny. In 1924, at the age of sixty four, Colonel Thomas S T H R Aikman (1860-1948), the grandson of George, captained the winning British Curling team at the Olympic Games in Chamonix. There are fifteen interments in the mausoleum, the last in 1949.

Sources

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Online Links

Friends of Kensal Green Cemetery website

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Location

SatNav Co-ordinates: 51.528012, -0.21681