

Ferrers Mausoleum

A small Gothic chapel built of coursed sandstone with yellow ironstone dressings. Both the coffins inside are marked with an earl's coronet.

Churchyard of Holy Trinity
Staunton Harold Hall
Staunton Harold
Leicestershire
LE65 1RT
England

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Architects

Not known.

Year Built

1906

Style

Gothic Revival

Listing

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Condition

Good (1999)

History

The Shirleys were established in Staunton Harold by the early 15th century, and the church, built by Sir Robert Shirley in 1653, and Staunton Harold Hall, largely 18th century but incorporating fragments of an earlier building, are grouped together. From the 17th century onwards members of the family were interred in the vault under the church. But when Sewallis Edward Shirley, 10th Earl Ferrers (d.1912) doubled the size of the lake close by, the vault was flooded and became unusable. So following the death of his wife, Frances Eugenie Matilda (known as Ina Maude) in 1906, the Earl built the mausoleum in the churchyard opposite the entrance to the old vault. He was buried there himself six years later.

Sources

BoE: Leics (1984), 390-4;correspondence.

Online Links

Derbyshire UK website

Photos



Location

SatNav Co-ordinates: 52.7839003789, -1.4387736408