

Tata, Jamsetji Nusserwanji, Mausoleum

The three mausolea stand in a row, raised on a terrace, with that of Jamsetji in the centre. The building is Egyptian in character, with decorative features such as the rosettes and a winged sun on the frieze and gates made of bronze.

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Brookwood
Surrey
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Architects

Not known

Year Built

1904

Style

Egyptian Revival

Listing

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Condition

Good (2006)

History

This is the first of the three mausolea built for members of the family who laid the foundations of the business empire known as the House of Tata. Jamsetji Nusserwanji Tata (1839-1904), who was born into a family of Parsi priests in Gujarat, is sometimes said to have introduced the Industrial Revolution to India. Initially he concentrated on setting up textile mills but later, following Thomas Carlyle's dictum that "the nation which gains control of iron soon acquires the control of gold", he turned his attention to the iron and steel industry. At the same time he began the construction of a hydro-electric power plant. He was also deeply committed to education and, when he died, left half his fortune for the establishment of the Indian Institute of Science in Bangalore.

Sources

Notes compiled by Ian Simpson on burials in Brookwood Cemetery provided August 2007

Online Links

Brookwood Cemetery website Tata Archives website Twi

Photos



Location

SatNav Co-ordinates: 51.2996249247, -0.6315670655