



EISENHOWER STATUE

Place of Meditation

This building is the final resting place of Dwight D. Eisenhower, Mamie Doud Eisenhower, and their first-born son, Doud Dwight Eisenhower. Built of native limestone, it harmonizes with the other modern structures of the Center. At the far east side of the mall, facing the Place of Meditation, is a unique feature of the grounds. A group of monumental pylons, originally presented by the Kansas Daughters of the American Revolution and the Soroptomist Clubs of Kansas, contain prose statements about the importance of the Eisenhower family to the state of Kansas, and to the nation.

Ike Statue

The eleven-foot statue of Dwight D. Eisenhower was a gift to the Dwight D. Eisenhower Library by Senator Harry Darby, Kansas City, Kansas, and was dedicated on June 15, 1985. The statue rests on a five-sided pedestal 5 1/2 feet high of Georgia granite. The walls of the pedestal are inscribed with quotes and insignia from the careers of General Eisenhower. The bronze military figure of General Eisenhower was cast in Florence, Italy, by Robert L. Dean, Jr., and weighs approximately 1200 pounds. The firm of Dwight Brown and Associates of Topeka, Kansas, was selected to design the pentagonal base and the surrounding plaza of the statue site.