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We commemorate today the sad anniversary of Virgil's death. Everybody knows the famous epitaph:

Mantua me genuit, Calabri rapuere, nunc tenet

Parthenope. Cecini pascua, rura, duces.

"Mantua gave birth to me, (the) Calabrians killed me, Parthenope now / holds me; I sang of pastures, plowlands, and leaders."

But could it be that this simple couplet <u>secretly reestablishes the truth about the death of the</u> poet, and even informs us about the identity of his murderer?