

Today in Math History...

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Leibniz died. His only mourner was his secretary, and an eye witness wrote: *“He was buried more like a robber than what he really was, the ornament of his century.”*



Leibniz occupies an equally large place in both the history of philosophy and the history of mathematics. He invented calculus independently of Newton, and his notation is the one in general use since.