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Atticus lived out the remainder of his life in Rome. Just after his 77th birthday he fell ill, and at first his ailment appeared minor. But after three months his health suddenly deteriorated. Deciding to accelerate the inevitable, he abstained from ingesting any nourishment, starving himself to death, and dying on the fifth day of such fasting, "which was the 31st March, in the consulship of Cn. Domitius and C. Sosius", that is in the year 32 BC. He was buried at the family tomb located at the Fifth Mile of the Appian Way.

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He did a great job of avoiding a violent death - which took so many of his peers.

Post by “Joshua” of March 3, 2024 at 11:57 AM

There might be something to this "no partisan politics" rule after all! It's a pity that the surviving correspondence between Atticus and Cicero is entirely one-sided, his viewpoint would be invaluable. We're also missing William Short's letters to Thomas Jefferson in which he declares himself to be an Epicurean.