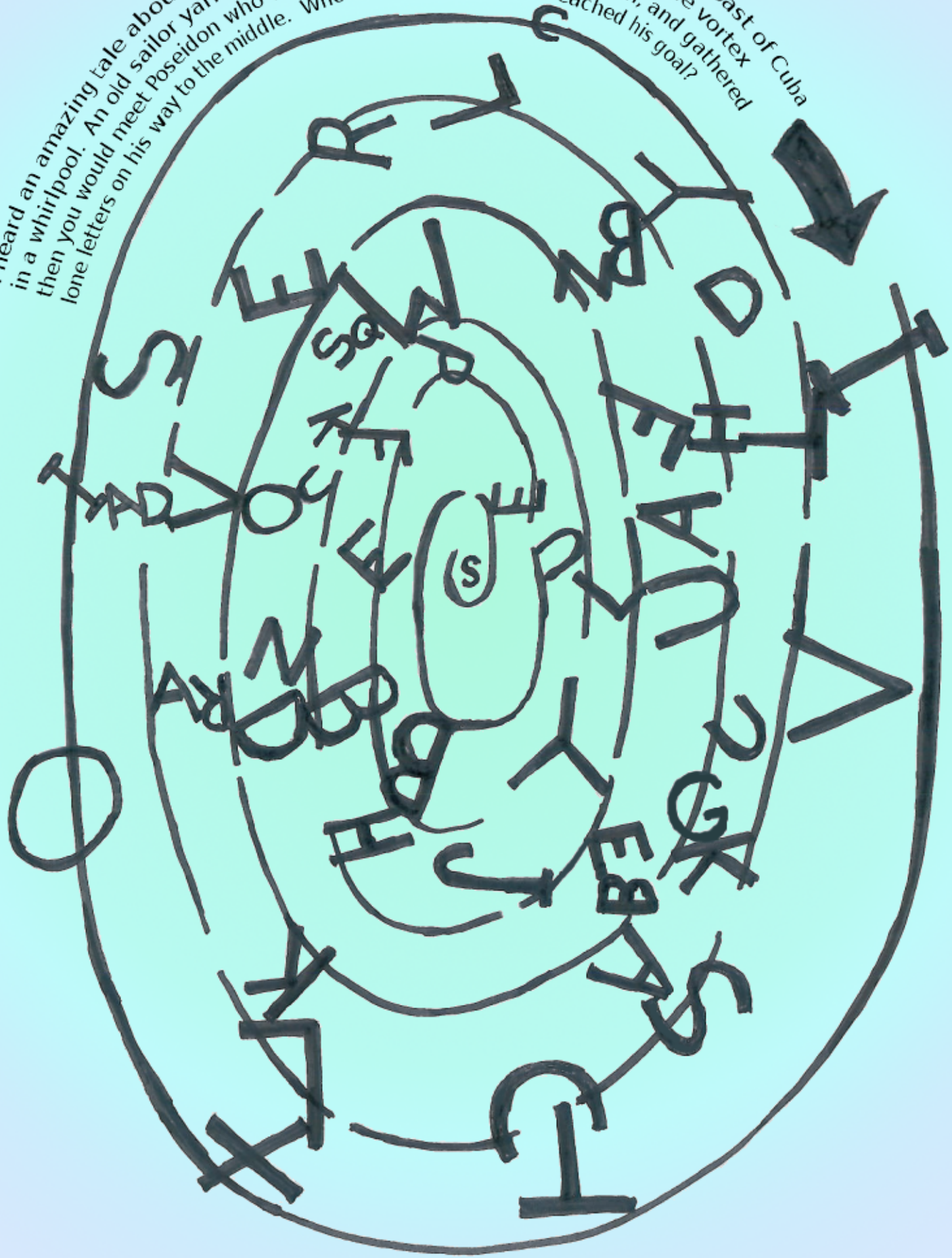
Dead Man's Quest

I heard an amazing tale about a captain who lost his cargo of letters off the coast of Cuba in a whirlpool. An old sailor yarn said that if you made it to the center of the vortex then you would meet Poseidon who would grant you a wish. He leapt in, and gathered lone letters on his way to the middle. Who did he find when he reached his goal?