

Dr. Joseph Braman

Dr. Joseph Braman was born in Connecticut in 1792. He came with his parents to Esperance in 1811 and later in 1814 to a farm in the town of Duanesburg. His father, Joseph, was in the Revolutionary War and trained a company of soldiers for the War of 1812.

Dr. Braman taught school and studied medicine. By 1817, he was appointed surgeon in the Duanesburg battalion that was part of the New York Militia.

Besides having an extensive medial practice over a wide area for many years, he was active in business and community affairs. In 1840, he opened and operated, for 15 years, a general store in what became known as Braman's Corners, once called Parlor Street. He along with 15 others, established the "Church of the Redeemer", a Universalist church in Braman's Corners. For many years he served in various town offices including Inspector of Common Schools, Commissioner of Common Schools, Inspector of Elections and Overseer of Poor.

Over the course of his life, he was married twice, his first wife having died in 1833. He had six children and he died in 1885 at the age of 93.