

William was born in 1891 in Tarraville, Victoria, the son of William and Mary (nee McLean) Bone.

On 11th August 1914 he enlisted in the AN&MEF, stating that he was a carpenter by trade, single and gave his mother at Balmain Rod, Leichardt, as his next of kin.

Whilst in Rabaul, on 1st Feb 1915, he transferred to the 3rd Battalion of the tropical Force remaining with the Battalion until his discharge on 18th June 1915 after serving 305 days.

Whilst awaiting discharge, he joined the 3rd Battalion as part of the 20th Reinforcements on 29th May 1916 (Regimental Number 6230) and sailed for the UK aboard the EURIPIDES, leaving Sydney on 9th September 1916, disembarking in Plymouth on 26th October 1916.

On 7th December 1917 he transferred to the ASC and was appointed as a Artificer to the 6th Divisional Motor Transport Company.

On 5th July 1919 he boarded the PORT MELBOURNE for return to Australia, arriving in Melbourne on 20th August 1919 and was subsequently discharged on 5th October 1919.

William died on 5th January 1962.