

George was born at Woollahra on 24th December 1895, the son of George Corbett Butler and Mary Minnie Ashton.

He enlisted into F Company, AN&MEF on 11th August 1914 and stated that he was a plumber and was single. He gave his mother, at 29 Grosvenor St, Woollahra, as his next of kin.

George returned from Rabaul and was discharged, term expired, on 4th March 1915, having served 206 days.

On 7th March 1915, he enlisted in D Company, 20th Battalion, AIF, regimental number 1128, and was promoted corporal on 31st May 1915. He sailed with the Battalion for Suez on the BERRIMA, leaving Sydney on the 26th June 1915.

On 9th March 1916 he was taken on strength by the 2nd Pioneers and had a new regimental number, 1128A, assigned to him. He was promoted to sergeant on 14th March 1916 and transferred to the 2nd Tunnelling Company on 14th June 1916, having moved with the Pioneers to France in March.

In July/August/September 1916 George spent a couple of months with the 2nd Tunnelling Company before returning to the 2nd Pioneers. On 26th September 1917 he left the UK aboard the BORDA, arriving back in Australia on 25th November 1917. He was discharged as medically unfit, chronic synovitis of the knee, on 26th December 1917.

He tried to re-enlist on 5th May 1918 but was rejected on medical grounds.

In 1921 he married Marjory Dorothy Ann Dodwell and on 27th August 1942 he again enlisted and served in the LHQEME School until 13th Feb 1944, service number NX101777.

George died at Roseville in 1951.