

David was born in Carrickfergus, Ireland in 1886, the son of Ivor Garnon and his wife Sarah Alexandra, nee Hilditch. In the 1901 census he is shown with his parents in Durham and, at 14, is listed as a shipyard worker. In 1910 he married Minnie Pentland at Darlington, Durham and in the 1911 census is shown as in Durham with his wife. He is shown as being a "Plate Edge Planer, Loco Builder Shop". His daughter, Edna, was born in 1913.

On 11th August 1914 he enlisted in H Company, AN&MEF stating that he was a Machinist and giving his wife at 52 Charles St, Darlington, Durham, as his next of kin. He also stated that he served time with the 1st Durham Light Infantry.

He is shown as a private in the embarkation rolls, but on his War Gratuity Ledger Card he is shown as a sergeant. There is no other indication that he was promoted to sergeant.

David returned from Rabaul aboard the MATUNGA as an escort from prisoners and was discharged, term expired on 18th Jan 1915, having completed 161 days service.

Minnie and her daughter, Edna, came to Australia aboard the ATHENIC which departed Liverpool on 23rd October 1915.

After the war David became a fireman and died at Balmain in 1966.