Eric was born in Dulwich Hill, NSW, in 1891, the son of Thomas Edward Bush and Margaret Elizabeth Bush, nee Richie. He enlisted in E Company, AN&MEF on 11<sup>th</sup> August 1914 stating that he was a farmer, single, and gave his mother at Camera St, Manly as his next of kin. He also stated that he had been in Newington College Cadets.

Eric returned from Rabaul and was discharged, term expired, on 18<sup>th</sup> Jan 1915 having completed 161 days. It was clear that Eric had contracted malaria whilst in New Guinea and was granted a pension from 23<sup>rd</sup> November 1915.

In 1918 he married Alice Eldridge in Sydney and Alice was granted a pension with effect from 2<sup>nd</sup> Feb 1918.

Eric died in Newtown 4<sup>th</sup> June 1959 and is buried at St Thomas' Anglican Cemetery.