

James was born at Glebe, NSW, on 2nd September 1890, the son of Thomas Redmond and his wife, Margaret, nee Sharkey.

On enlistment in the AN&MEF, James was assigned to G Company, stating that he was a labourer and single. He returned from Rabaul and was discharged on 4th March 1915 having completed 206 days service.

On 6th March 1915 he enlisted in A Coy, 18th Battalion, regimental number 306, this time giving his occupation as musician.

He sailed from Sydney on 25th June 1915 aboard the Ceramic and joined the MEF on Gallipoli on 16th August 1915. He suffered a shell concussion and was evacuated on the hospital ship MAHENE on 9th September. He was admitted to the Floriana Hospital, Malta on 12th Sept and 6 days later transferred to England.

James departed Portland on the EURIPIDES on 24th June 1916, arriving back in Sydney on 8th August 1916. He was discharged as medically unfit due to deafness on 18th September 1916.

On 27th June 1941 he enlisted in the AMF, service number N272735, putting his age down by 5 years. He enlisted as a single man and was discharged “Unlikely to Becomes and Efficient Soldier’ on 26th November 1941.

James died on 27th June 1963 aged 72. He is buried the Macquarie Park Cemetery, Ryde.