

Frank was born in Auckland, New Zealand the son of Samuel Shaw Driver and his wife, Mary, nee Congreve.

On 11th August 1914 he joined E Company, AN&MEF. At the time of enlistment, he was an Electrical Mechanic by trade and single. He returned from Rabaul and was discharged, term expired, on 18th Jan 1915

On 18th March 1915 he joined the AIF but was discharged on 29th March at his own request.

He again enlisted on 20th October 1916 as part of the 10th Reinforcements, 1st Pioneer Battalion, regimental number 3790. He embarked on the ANCHISES on 24th Jan 1917, disembarking in Devonport on 27th March 1917. After an attachment with a Training Battalion in the UK he went to France and was transferred to, and then taken on strength by, the 17th Battalion on 12th July 1917. On 9th Jan 1918 he was evacuated to the UK and admitted to the Middlesex War Hospital with Malaria. On release he was transferred to the 33rd Battalion and taken on strength by that battalion in France on 14th September 1918.

On 27th September he was again evacuated to the UK aboard the hospital ship ESSEQUIBO and admitted to the General Military Hospital, Edmonton with bronchial catarrh, a complication from his malaria.

He departed the UK on 3rd Feb 1919 aboard the ASCANIUS and arrived back in Sydney, via Melbourne, on 4th April. He was discharged, medically unfit, on 31st October 1919.