

John was born in Sydney on 27th February 1881, the son of John Edward Craig and Martha Craig, nee Cleland. In 1902 He joined the Cape Police in South Africa and on 24th June 1904, on his return from South Africa, he joined the NSW Dept of Health as an attendant and was appointed Senior Attendant on 9th April 1910.

On 12th August he joined the Army Medical Corps, attached to the AN&MEF, stating that he was a Male Nurse, single and gave his Brother Mr A.B. Craig, at "Craigleigh", Broad Rd, Lower Randwick, as his next of kin.

On 17th September 1914 he was promoted corporal and returned from Rabaul and was discharged, term expired, on 18th Jan 1915 having completed 160 days service.

On 7th April 1915 he joined the 3rd Australian General Hospital, regimental number 4360 and was promoted Warrant Office on 1st May. He sailed for Suez on 15th May 1915 aboard the MOOLAN and whilst on Gallipoli suffered a severe bout of Influenza resulting in him being hospitalised on 19th November 1915 and returning to Australia aboard the BORDA leaving Suez on 17th August 1916.

On 26th October 1916 he resumed duties, leaving Sydney aboard the MARATHON on 31st October and disembarking in Plymouth on 9th Jan 1917. He went to France on 31st October 1917 and joined the 12th Field Ambulance before moving to the 2nd Australian General Hospital on 6th Feb 1918 and appointed Hon Lt QM on 6th March. He was Mentioned in Despatches in mid-1916 and after the war suffered a second bout of Influenza and his family was advised that he was dangerously ill.

He recovered and returned to Australia aboard the SARDINIA leaving the UK on 19th April 1919 and was subsequently discharged on 12th August 1919.

He returned to the Department of Health and in 1919 was a Chief Attendant at The Coast Hospital. He married Eva Milham in 1920 and died in Prince Henry Hospital on 12th November 1946. He is buried at the Eastern Suburbs Memorial Park.