

Edward was born at Mogo in 1893, the son of Terrence and Maggie Brodigan. On 11th August 1914 he enlisted in the AN&MEF, stating that he was single, an Iron Workers Assistant, and gave his mother at 10 Punt St, Balmain as his next of kin.

Edward returned from Rabaul and was discharged, term expired, on 18th Jan 1915, having served 181 days.

On 8th August 1915 he signed up as part of the 6th Reinforcements of the 19th battalion, regimental number 2744, and left Sydney for the Middle East on 2nd November 1916 aboard the EURIPIDES. On 5th Feb 1916 he was taken on strength and sailed with the battalion from Alexandria to Marseilles on 18th March, arriving on 25th March.

Between 12th and 19th August he attended the Trench Mortar School in France and transferred to the 5th Trench Mortar Battery where on 10th April 1917 he was appointed Lance Corporal and then promoted Corporal on 29th September. On 17th August 1918 he was slightly wounded but remained on duty and returned to Australia aboard the TRASCOS MONTES, arriving in Sydney on 25th May 1919. He was discharged from the AIF on 18th July 1919.

In 1921 he married Eileen May McIntosh at Drummoyne. Eileen died in 1957 and Edward on 9th July 1985 and he is buried at French's Forest Cemetery.