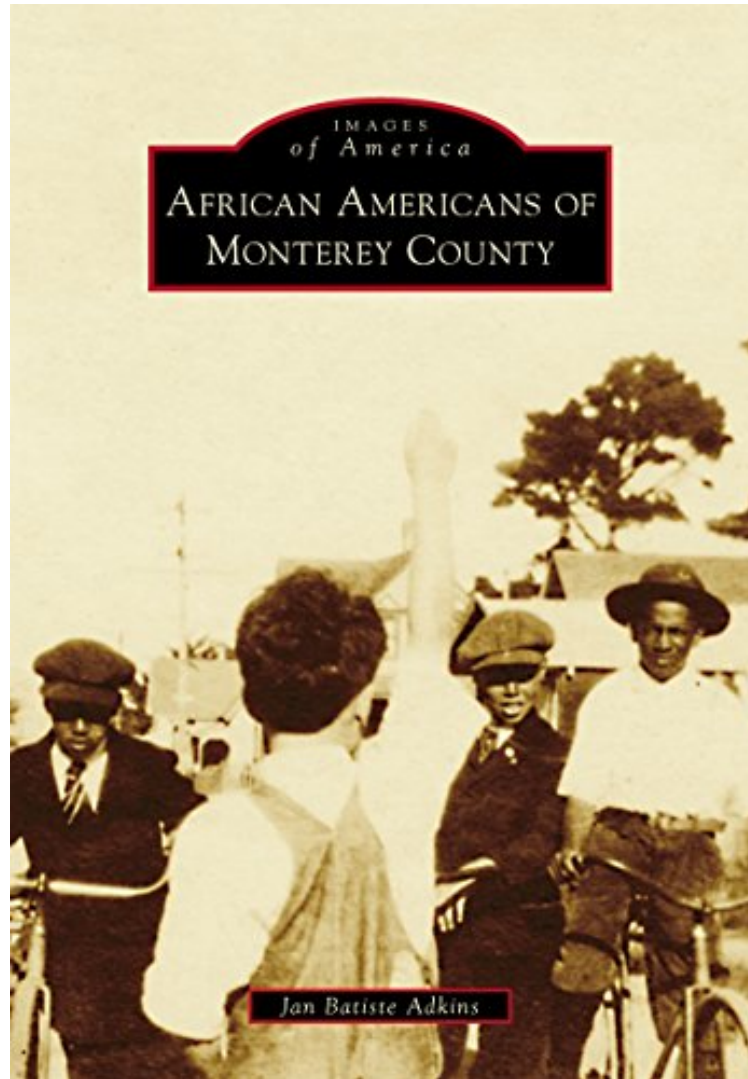


## African Americans of Monterey County (Images of America)

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**Jan Batiste Adkins : African Americans of Monterey County (Images of America)** before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised African Americans of Monterey County (Images of America):

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. This Book Tells The History Of African Americans In Monterey County. By William This book tells the history of African Americans in Monterey County. Here are some of the interesting things that this book mentions: African American families in Monterey County included in the book are the following early 20th Century families: Cooper, Walker, Harris, and Niblett. After the Presidential Election of 2008, the leaders of Seaside worked together to change the name of Broadway Avenue to Obama Way. Professor Frederick Anderson taught at Harnell College in the 1970's. Marla Anderson served as a Monterey County Judge since 1995.

Some of the pictures in the book included are pictures of the following: David Drummond, Cypress Coast Bank, Dan Martin, Professor Frederick Anderson, and Marla Anderson. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Must read and purchase book. By Bob Walch. Filled with page after page of photos of the African American families and individuals who built the black community on the Monterey Peninsula and throughout the county this is a must purchase for anyone interested in the history of this area of the central coast of California. This is also a keepsake that any individuals pictured in the volume will want to have. The text that accompanies the photos is top notch and very informative. Book provided by publisher.

People of African heritage have traveled to Monterey since the 1770s, when African Spaniard Alexo Nino, a ship's caulker, traveled with Fr. Junipero Serra to Monterey via the San Antonio. For centuries since Nino, black men and women migrated to the Monterey Bay area in search of a new life. In the 20th century, some African Americans established businesses, bought homes, and encouraged family members and friends to settle in Monterey County. Others pursued military careers. Out of these communities came churches, schools, service organizations, and social groups. For the next century, the history of Monterey County's African American communities have mirrored the nation's slow progress toward integration with triumphs and setbacks that have been captured in images of employment opportunities, churches, business successes, and political struggles.

About the Author Jan Batiste Adkins, an educator, lecturer, and author of *African Americans of San Francisco*, has spent the last several years researching the African American experience in the Bay Area. This book documents the successes of African Americans and encourages schoolchildren and adults to read about their local history. It celebrates the rich African American experience as seen in photographs from area archives, museums, local newspapers, historical societies, libraries, and family oral histories.