



**Madison County
Urban League**



**Bobby Collins, Sr.
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**100
BLACK MEN
OF AMERICA, INC.**

Bobby Collins Sr. served eight (8) years as president of 100 Black Men of Alton, Inc., two years as Vice President, one year as Board Chairman, and is current treasurer. He was born in St. Louis, MO, and attended public schools in New Jersey and Illinois. After graduation from Madison Senior High in Madison, IL, he received his A. S. Degree in Business Administration from Lewis & Clark Community College in Godfrey, IL.

In 1963 he was employed by the Olin Corporation where he held various jobs in management for

over 35 years.

In addition to his work with the 100, he has served as a board member of American Red Cross, the Community Advisory Board of the Alton Police Department, immediate past board chairman of the Madison County Urban League, and is currently the treasurer of Alton Branch N.A.A.C.P., a commissioner of the Madison County Housing Authority Board, and a trustee of Madison County Regional School Board.

He believes and subscribes to the Native American adage; *“Tell me and I will forget, Show me and I may not remember, Involve me and I will understand.”*

He is a widower (the late Josephine E. Patterson) and has two children, one son, Bobby, Jr. and one daughter, Alicia; and four grandchildren, Bobby III(Trey), Kendal, Kevin, and Michael.