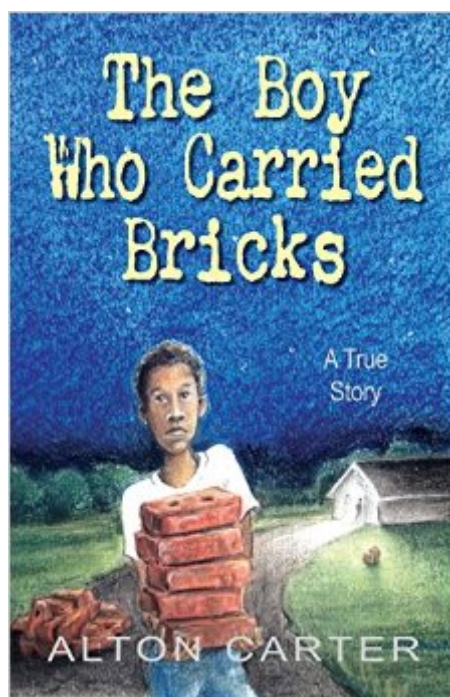


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# The Boy Who Carried Bricks -- A True Story Of Survival



## Synopsis

Abandoned by his father, neglected by his mother, shuttled between foster homes and a boys ranch, a young African-American man refuses to succumb to the fate that the world says should be his. Told by the man who lived it.

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## Customer Reviews

Im only 13 years old, and i think that this is truly an amazing book. My whole class read it, and there was nobody who had negative feelings towards it. I recommend this book to anybody who has been bullied, abused, or felt like nobody cared. Alton's story will change you.

What an amazing story of survival against all odds! Every child, parent, grandparent, teacher, coach, doctor, DHS worker, foster parent, children's home worker - anyone who cares about children - simply everyone should read this book! Although Alton is now an adult, you see his story through his eyes as a child. This makes it all the more moving! His book will inspire you to become a more compassionate person - even if you think you already are. It would make a great gift for your children/grandchildren!

An amazing story of survival and overcoming horrible odds. This book is of his life as a child through high school; however, because we know of this author as a strong, respected, outgoing, productive adult and influential community leader, it is even more remarkable to us that he has been able to rise far above the mistreatment he received growing up.

This true story of the author's childhood and youth filled with abuse and neglect is appalling, heart sickening, an eye opener to what some children have to endure. However, it is also an amazing, inspiring, story of determination to rise above childhood adversity of the cruelest kind to become a compassionate, positive, Christian role model and advocate for youth today. Brace yourself for anger and tears followed by respect, hope and faith with this page turner!! Linda Eller of McKinney, Texas

This story is such a difficult one to read. To view Alton's account of his life and how He and his family suffered because of broken relationships, abuse and dreadfully inadequate resources is painful. Also to know there are many others like him all around us who have not found a way out of these cruel circumstances is a wake up call to our society to invest more time and loving action on behalf of these kids. Yet Alton shares his story honestly and is such an inspiring example of overcoming all these huge obstacles to go on to become a wonderful ,positive contributing blessing to others. This is a great motivational story no matter what our life work is everyone can benefit from reading this book.

Buy this book!! Alton Carter is a phenomenal guy, and you will love him after reading this book. I am the same age and I grew up in the same town he wrote about. Alton is as genuine in person as he is in his book. Overcoming adversity is something we all face at one time or another, but Alton does this with more courage than anyone I know. Alton will inspire you to make a positive difference in a child's life, just as caring adults have made in his. This is a must read!

It was a very good book to read and learn how blessed we are and understand why these kids grow up and think the way they do. It is very sad to know they grow up in these conditions and think it is the way of life. I am sharing this book with my grandkids so they will see how fortunate and blessed they are and maybe some day, with God's help, they can give one of these kids an ounce of hope and love to keep on going like Alton. May we all have that opportunity!

You won't be able to put it down, this book needs to come with a box of Kleenex. Remarkable story of a boy who overcame every obstacle possible and came out the other side. A similar version to the movie "The Blind Side" but better.

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