

Cheryl Johnson Plumb, 57

YORK, PA – Cheryl Johnson Plumb, Ph.D. was born in Harlan, the daughter of Bernice Johnson and the late Keith D. Johnson of Harlan. She graduated from Harlan High School.

She married Robert G. Plumb, Ph.D. They divorced in 1978. She received her bachelor's in English from the University of Denver in 1966; her master's in American Studies from the University of Wyoming in 1968, and her Ph.D. in English from Pennsylvania State University in 1983. She taught at the College of Southern Idaho, Twin Falls, where she was a founding faculty member from 1967-70. She joined the Penn State York faculty in 1970. In 1975-76, as a nontenured faculty

member, she led a union organizing drive at the York campus. She was the editor of "Djuna Barnes' Nightwood, The Original Version and Related Drafts". Among her many published works was "Fancy's Craft: Art and Identity in the Early Works of Djuna Barnes," Susquehanna University Press, 1986, which was named one of the outstanding academic books of 1987-88 by Choice. Along with English and literature classes, she taught the first women's studies class at Penn State York, where she was an associate professor of English. She died unexpectedly at home of natural causes Feb. 1, 2001, at age 57.

She is survived by her mother; a son, Hylon T. Plumb IV (Anita Pilkerton-Plumb) of Lancaster; one brother, Keith Lee Johnson of Scotia, NY; two nieces, Stephanie Cheryl Johnson of Pilot Mountain, NC and Kimberly Johnson Lewis of Burnt Hills, NY.

A memorial service was held Feb. 10, 2001, in the community room at the Student Activities Center at Penn State York.

