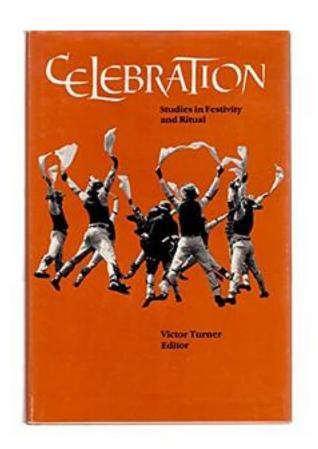
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Amazon.com After decades as an army wife, Kristine Kelly isn't sure how to handle the transition back to civilian life after her husband Logan disappears with their savings. Unable to handle the finances and shocked by the anger her children have

towards their absent father, Kristine turns to alcohol for comfort, an act that only pushes her children further away. But with the help of friend Aaron Dunwoodie, Kristine sobers up, reunites with her grown children, and enjoys a burgeoning romance with Aaron. Just as her life is back in order, Logan reappears, claiming that he is dying and desperate for attention. When Kristine delays her marriage to Aaron in order to play nursemaid to Logan, it looks as if she may once again submit herself to Logan's will. Celebration is a moving portrayal of a woman's struggle to find courage and independence after abandonment by her husband, and is a thoroughly engaging read. --Nancy R.E. O'Brien From Library Journal Abandoned by her husband of 20 years and alienated from her children, Kristine struggles to survive, regain her family, and find her own identity. She succeeds, even finding a new love, but almost loses all when her first husband suddenly reappears. Unfortunately, it is difficult to have much sympathy for her, since she is immediately willing to trust her business and money to the man who had already lied to her and stolen millions of dollars. A prolific author of romance and family sagas, Michaels (Vegas Heat, LJ 3/15/97) fails to develop her characters or give them plausible motivations for many of their actions. Her trite plotting attempts too many story lines at once, relying on often unbelievable coincidences to tie things together. Devoted fans can wait for the paperback edition.?Barbara E. Kemp, SUNY at Albany Libs.Copyright 1999 Reed Business Information, Inc.

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