

# FLOWERS FOR ALGERNON



FLOWERS FOR ALGERNON is based on the poignant journal of a mentally retarded adult, Charlie Gordon. During the play, Charlie is transformed from a dull but amiable man with a yearning to be smart into a genius. By means of a delicate brain operation previously tried on the mouse, Algernon, scientists raise Charlie's IQ from 68 to 185. Tormented by memories of the rejection and cruelty suffered during his earlier life, Charlie is brilliant but miserable.

This is the compelling story of Charlie Gordon, the willing victim of a strange experiment—a moron, a genius, a man in search of himself. It will long be remembered by those whose hearts were touched by Charlie's frankness and zest for life.

