## **CHAPTER II**

## BIOGRAPHY OF THE AUTHOR AND SYNOPSIS OF THE NOVEL

This chapter describes about the author biography and the synopsis of Comanche Magic novel. The biography is provided to give the information about the life story of the author and her works. Meanwhile, the synopsis of novel contains the line story of novel. The researcher took information from various sources. The following is the explanation about them:

## A. Biography of the Author

Adeline Catherine Anderson is an American who has succeeded to be a well-known American writer prose, especially novel. She was born in Grants Pass, Oregon, USA on December 22, 1948. She grew up and spent her childhood in Grants Pass.

She is a daughter of Benjamin Early La May. Her father is a chef and her mother were a writer. Catherine often hearing her mother type stories on an old type writer and she read the finished work from her mother by aloud. From her mother, Catherine Anderson get inspiration to begin writing her own stories as a child.

Catherine Anderson loves literature, her love literature can be seen by her focus on his hobby when she was a child. Catherine Anderson loved to read especially read the work from her mother. Catherine Anderson started her career was a writer. Many novels that was produced by her. Catherine often features disabled characters, both physically and mentally.

As a novel's writer, many of her work tells about nature. Animals, farm, mountain are recurring theme in her stories. She loves nature, and she can get many inspirations from nature. Catherine Anderson and her husband lived in Oregon. They have two sons, Sidney D. Anderson Jr. and John G. Anderson. They love the wildlife on their original mountain ridges. Catherine Anderson get many inspirations from her environment. She is a creative writer, many works that has been produced by her. Her works among others, *Sun Kissed, Morning Light, Comache Moon, Comanche Magic*. Many of her novels are best seller in New York. She also gets nomination nine times for the romantic (Candra, 2013).

The first books which is published in 1988, Reasonable Doubt. Anderson's *Comanche* series is first published in 1991, *Comanche Moon* and *Comanche Heart*. And the next years, *Indigo Blue* was published. While, *Comanche Magic* was published on 1994. One of the *Comanche* series was reissued and placed on the New York Times Bestseller. *Comanche Magic* is set in Wolf's landing, Grants pass. It is depicting about nature. Characters and themes typical of Catherine Anderson Works. This story tells about a young woman, Franny. She who is still a little girl must work to support her family. Where her mother suffered blindness so that the family's needs demanded she work. Franny works as a prostitute.

## **B.** Synopsis of The Story

Franchine Graham or Franny is a girl who is willing to sacrifice her pride for the sake of her family. She became a prostitute since the age of 13 years. She did the work to support her blind mother, and her seven brothers where her younger brother was an idiot. Being a prostitute earns her a considerable income. With that income she is able to support her family. When she worked, Franny went through the work like a dream. And when it was all over, Franny thought her job was a trivial thing she instantly forgot about, despite the pain in her heart.

Nine years of living with the status of a prostitute, Franny believes that she is not fit for any man. However, when indigo's brother, Chase Kelly Wolf came, Franny's fierceness began to collapse. Chase, who had returned home to his parents to heal himself, was struck by a wooden beam that caused his ribs to break, lured by Franny. However, when Chase learned of Franny's work, Chase lowered Franny with harsh words. Chase asks Franny to stay away from his family.

Franny felt hurt, and Franny away from the Chase family. Only Indigo is Franny's friend who does not look at Franny with one eye. When Indigo finds out about this, Indigo is very angry at Chase, and she says that Chase has changed. Then Chase's father told Chase that Franny was just a victim of a public injustice. The father's words caused Chase to rethink Franny. And in the end Chase apologized to Franny. Chase began to recognize Franny by not

looking at her with one eye. However, Franny struggled hard to resist and tried not to pull to Chase. Franny thinks she does not deserve the kindness from Chase. Although in the end Franny still melt to Chase (Anderson, 1994).

