



| OBJECT ID         | 2012.23.13   |
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| OBJECT NAME       | Glass  |
| OBJECT COLLECTION | Ramova Grill Collection (is part of)   |
| MATERIAL          | Glass  |
| OBJECT ENTITIES   | Grill, Ramova (owned by) Dinos, Tony (is related to) Miller, Ward (is related to) Gertos, Bob (is related to) Gertos, Bill (is related to) |
| ACCESS POINTS     | Ramova Grill   |

## **OBJECT DESCRIPTION**

The cup is a clear glass that would be used to serve juice at the Ramova Grill. On the bottom of the glass "Ramova Grill" is writtin with red marker. The glass curves in and then back out a little about half way down and then it curves in and back out again. There are some small scratches and smudges on the glass.

## **ORIGIN**

The Ramova Grill opened in Chicago in 1929 and after 82 years it shut down in 2012. Tony Dinos was from Greece and moved to the United States in 1960 where he started working at the Ramova Grill, his first and only job he has ever had in the United States. He started out as a dishwasher but once he learned English better his uncle, Pete Gertos, promoted him to cook and four years after that he bought in and owned part of the place. In 1965, while working at the grill, Dinos met Liberty Sfondels, whom he would marry just two month later and are still married to this day. The Ramova Grill was known for their pancakes and chili. Dinos got the chili recipe from the original owners and will not give the recipe to anyone, not even his son-in-law who owns a diner in Indiana. Dinos and his partner Bob Gertos have decided to close the grill after working there for 52 years to spend more time with family and travel.

## **CITATION**

Glass, Ramova Grill Collection, National Hellenic Museum, https://collections.nationalhellenicmuseum.org/Detail/objects/. Accessed 12/26/25.