



OBJECT ID	2012.23.15
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 Water Glass

#### OBJECT DESCRIPTION

The cup is a clear glass that was used for serving water at the Ramova Grill. On the bottom of the glass "Ramova Grill" is written with red marker. The glass curves in and then back out a few centimeters from the top. 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 months 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

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