



OBJECT ID	2012.23.17
OBJECT NAME	Shaker, Sugar
OBJECT COLLECTION	Ramova Grill Collection (is part of)
MATERIAL	Glass; Metal
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 Sugar Container Sugar Shaker

OBJECT DESCRIPTION

A sugar shaker from Ramova Grill and it has the writing in red marker on the bottom that says, "Ramova Grill." The top is metal and can screw on and off of the glass container that holds the sugar. The top has a small raised part in the middle that goes to the side where there is a horizontal line and a circle cut out of the metal for where the sugar comes out. The top of the glass has the part where the metal piece screws on. The body of the glass has small vertical sections all around the glass and then it curves out a little at the bottom. On the bottom of the glass there is little grooves in a circle. There is a small dent on the top metal part and some areas of residue on the bottom.

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

Shaker, Sugar, Ramova Grill Collection, *National Hellenic Museum*, <https://collections.nationalhellenicmuseum.org/Detail/objects/>. Accessed 04/13/24.