

## Milk and Ashes

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In the 1948 photo my grandpa  
Tzvi feeds me milk from a cup  
while walking together in the  
Displaced Persons Camp  
of Wetzlar, Germany.  
When he died in Chicago,  
I inherited his ashtray  
and our family's smoke  
which blackened heavens.