

JLG Telehandler

After retiring in the late 1960's, John L. Grove embarked on a cross country RV trip. After spending many years establishing his family built crane business with his brother, John had no idea that this trip would give birth to the rise of JLG Industries, Inc. The world leader of mobile aerial work platforms and precision material handling technologies was the end result of a road trip.

While on their journey, John spent time talking to former business acquaintances whom the Groves stopped to see along the way. These conversations combined with a tragic occurrence two workers being electrocuted on scaffolding when the Groves were going to the Hoover Dam John discovered a considerable market for a product that could quickly and securely elevate individuals in the air to accomplish maintenance and other building services.

Following their return from holiday, John set up a joint venture with two of his friends and obtained a metal fabrication company in McConnellsburg, Pennsylvania. Starting with a small crew of twenty personnel, they fashioned and sold their first JLG aerial work platform in 1970. The business incorporates many of the basic design elements of that original lift into current models.

JLG lift trucks have come a long way since Mr. John L. Grove returned to town from his cross-country road trip and since the first aerial work platform debuted on the market. At present, the business proudly continues to expand itself into various markets worldwide and develops new products to make sure consumers are capable of being more efficient and perform in the workplace within a safer atmosphere.