

JLG Telehandler

After retiring in the late 1960's, John L. Grove started out on a cross country RV trip. After spending numerous years establishing his family built crane company with his brother, John had no idea that this trip would bring about the rise of JLG Industries, Inc. The world leader of mobile aerial work platforms and precision materials handling technologies was the end consequence of a road trip.

Whilst on their journey, John spent time talking to former business associates whom the Groves stopped to visit along the way. These conversations combined with a tragic incident—two workers being electrocuted on scaffolding when the Groves were traveling to the Hoover Dam— John uncovered a considerable marketplace for a product that could promptly and securely lift individuals in the air to accomplish maintenance and other building functions.

After their return from holiday, John set up a business with two of his friends and bought a metal fabrication business in McConnellsburg, Pennsylvania. Starting with a small crew of twenty employees, they produced and sold their first JLG aerial work platform in 1970. The business incorporates some of the basic design essentials of that original lift into existing designs.

JLG forklifts have come a long way from the time when Mr. John L. Grove came back to town from his cross-country road trip and since the first aerial work platform debuted on the market. Nowadays, the company proudly continues to expand itself into numerous marketplaces worldwide and develops new products to make certain consumers are capable of being more efficient and perform in the workplace within a safer atmosphere.