JLG Telehandler

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

During their trip, John reacquainted himself with past business associates along the way. In combination with these conversations and a significant event; two workers were tragically electrocuted on scaffolding when the Groves were passing through the Hoover Dam. John discovered a considerable market for a product that could swiftly and securely lift individuals in the air to accomplish maintenance and other building services.

Upon returning from their travels, John established a joint venture with two friends and purchased a metal fabrication company in McConnellsburg, Pennsylvania. In 1970, opening operations with a crew of twenty staff, they built and sold the first JLG aerial work platform. The company incorporates some of the basic design essentials of that original lift into current designs.

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