JLG Telehandler

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

During their trip, John reacquainted himself with past business connections along the way. In combination with these conversations and a noteworthy event; two workers were unfortunately electrocuted on scaffolding when the Groves were passing through the Hoover Dam. John discovered an infinite marketplace for a product that could swiftly and securely elevate people in the air to accomplish maintenance and other building functions.

Upon returning from their travels, John established a partnership with two friends and obtained a metal fabricating company in McConnellsburg, Pennsylvania. In 1970, opening operations with a crew of twenty staff, they manufactured and sold the first JLG aerial work platform. The business incorporates many of the simple design elements of that original lift into current designs.

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. Nowadays, the business proudly continues to expand itself into a range of marketplaces worldwide and develops new products to make sure clients are capable of being more effective and perform in the workplace within a safer environment.