

JLG Telehandler

Following retirement in the late 1960's, John L. Grove embarked 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 give birth to the rise of JLG Industries, Inc. The world leader of mobile aerial work platforms and precision material handling equipment was the end result of a road expedition.

All through their journey, John reacquainted himself with previous business acquaintances along the way. In combination with these conversations and a noteworthy event; two workers were tragically electrocuted on scaffolding when the Groves were passing through the Hoover Dam. John uncovered a considerable marketplace for a product that could quickly and securely elevate people in the air to accomplish maintenance and other building services.

Upon returning from their travels, John formed a joint venture with two friends and acquired a metal fabricating business in McConnellsburg, Pennsylvania. In 1970, opening operations with a crew of twenty employees, they created and sold the first JLG aerial work platform. The business incorporates many of the basic design essentials of that original lift into current versions.

JLG lift trucks have come a ways 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. Today, the company proudly continues to expand itself into different markets globally and develops new products to make sure clients are capable of being more effective and perform in the workplace within a safer environment.