

JLG Telehandler

Following retirement in the late 1960's, John L. Grove started on a cross country RV voyage. After spending numerous 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 consequence of a road trip.

While on their journey, John spent time conversing with past business contacts whom the Groves stopped to visit along the way. These conversations combined with a tragic occurrence—two workers being electrocuted on scaffolding when the Groves were visiting Hoover Dam— John uncovered a substantial marketplace for a product that could promptly and securely lift people in the air to accomplish upkeep and other construction services.

Upon returning from their travels, John established a joint venture with two friends and acquired a metal fabricating business in McConnellsburg, Pennsylvania. In 1970, starting operations with a crew of twenty staff, they built and sold the first JLG aerial work platform. The business incorporates some of the simple design essentials of that original lift into current versions.

Since then, JLG Forklifts have come a great distance from when Mr. John L. Grove returned from his fatefull cross-country trip and since the first JLG aerial platform entered the marketplace. As of today, the business has expanded itself into a number of global marketplaces and continues to develop modern machines to guarantee that customers are able to become safer and more resourceful within their workplace.