

JLG Telehandler

In the late 1960's John L. Grove, with his wife Cora embarked on a cross country voyage in their RV. Newly retired, after spending several years working with his brother to develop their crane company into a market leader, John had no idea that a fateful trip would permit JLG Industries, Inc to emerge. The world leader of mobile aerial work platforms and precision materials handling equipment was the end result of a road expedition.

All through their journey, John reacquainted himself with previous business associates along the way. In combination with these conversations and a significant event; two workers had been unfortunately electrocuted on scaffolding when the Groves were passing through the Hoover Dam. John discovered a vast marketplace for a product that could quickly and safely elevate people in the air to accomplish maintenance and other construction functions.

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

JLG lift trucks have come a ways since 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. These days, the company proudly continues to expand itself into different marketplaces worldwide and develops new products to make sure consumers are capable of being more effective and perform in the workplace within a safer atmosphere.