JLG Telehandler

After retiring in the late 1960's, John L. Grove started 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 trip would bring forth the rise of JLG Industries, Inc. The world leader of mobile aerial work platforms and precision material handling equipment was the end consequence of a road trip.

Whilst on their journey, John spent time conversing with past business contacts whom the Groves stopped to see along the way. These conversations combined with a tragic event—two workers being electrocuted on scaffolding when the Groves were visiting Hoover Dam— John uncovered an infinite marketplace for a product that could swiftly and safely lift individuals in the air to accomplish upkeep and other construction functions.

Upon returning from their travels, John formed a partnership with two friends and bought a metal fabrication business in McConnellsburg, Pennsylvania. In 1970, opening operations with a crew of twenty staff, they manufactured and sold the first JLG aerial work platform. The company incorporates some of the basic design elements of that original lift into current versions.

JLG lift trucks have come a ways from the time when Mr. John L. Grove returned to town from his cross-country road trip and since the initial aerial work platform debuted on the market. Nowadays, the company proudly continues to expand itself into numerous markets globally and develops new products to make certain consumers are capable of being more effective and perform in the workplace within a safer environment.