JLG Telehandler

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

Whilst on their trip, John spent time conversing with previous business associates whom the Groves stopped to see along the way. These conversations combined with a tragic incident—two workers being electrocuted on scaffolding when the Groves were traveling to the Hoover Dam— John discovered an infinite marketplace for a product that could quickly and securely elevate individuals in the air to accomplish maintenance and other building functions.

Following their return from holiday, John set up a joint venture with two of his friends and bought a metal fabrication company in McConnellsburg, Pennsylvania. Starting with a small crew of twenty employees, they produced and sold their first JLG aerial work platform in 1970. The company incorporates some of the basic design essentials of that original lift into existing models.

Since then, JLG Forklifts have come a great distance from when Mr. John L. Grove came back 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 many different international marketplaces and continues to develop new equipment to guarantee that consumers are able to become safer and more well-organized within their workplace.