JLG Telehandler

In the late 1960's John L. Grove, with his wife Cora embarked on on a cross country journey in their RV. Newly retired, after spending several years working with his brother to manufacture their crane business into an market leader, John had no idea that 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 past business acquaintances along the way. In combination with these conversations and a noteworthy event; two workers had been unfortunately electrocuted on scaffolding when the Groves were passing through the Hoover Dam. John discovered an infinite marketplace for a product that could quickly and safely lift individuals in the air to accomplish upkeep and other construction services.

Upon returning from their travels, John established a partnership with two friends and purchased a metal fabricating business in McConnellsburg, Pennsylvania. In 1970, opening operations with a crew of twenty personnel, 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 models.

JLG forklifts have come a long way since Mr. John L. Grove returned to town from his cross-country road trip and since the first aerial work platform debuted on the market. At present, the business proudly continues to expand itself into a range of marketplaces worldwide and develops new products to make certain consumers are capable of being more efficient and perform in the workplace within a safer atmosphere.